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BURGLARS VISIT BIBLE DEPOT.

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The Bible, Book and Tract Depot, in Wyndham Street, which is managed by the British and Foreign Bible Society, is the latest city store to be visited by burglars.

When Mrs. Bailey, manageress of the shop, opened its doors yesterday, a first glance at the disorderly state of the interior sufficed to convince her that undesirable customers had been amongst the stock. Drawers were pulled open, and the contents as well as books from the show cases were littered all over the floor.

Entry had been effected through a door which gave on to a little yard at the rear of the premises. From the alley way behind the A.P.C. building, the burglar or burglars had managed to get at the staple lock by cutting away the woodwork. The next step was to cut away the glass of the rear window, to enable a hand to be put through to draw back the catch. It was disappointing for the men that they should find, in the next stage, a difficult proposition in the form of an iron bar frame. This frame exactly fitted in behind the wooden window frame, and from the position at which the burglar was working its presence could not be detected.

Thus baffled, the burglars next tried the door which gave on the yard from the shop, and the task of prising open the door and wrenching away the staple lock was found quite an easy one.

Once inside the shop, the drawers were forced open, in the expectation that money would be found therein. But the robbers found only one lone Shanghai dollar, and a bad one at that, although the burglars, of course, did not know this fact at the time. They knew it now, as they took the coin away with them.

It was not to be expected that the burglars could derive any material advantage by taking away the Bibles and tracts, either for sale or for personal use, so these books were left severely alone, none being taken away.

The only articles which it would have been worth while for the burglars to take away were a number of fountain pens, kept in a show case. These pens, which are worth \$30, were taken possession of by the robbers, who also appropriated the only typewriter in the shop—a second-hand machine, the value of which is assessed at \$70.

Mrs. Bailey has reported the burglary to the police.

ALIBI PROVED.

Y SEQUEL TO ROBBERY.

Two Chinese, who were arrested in connection with the armed robbery committed at No. 343, Portland Street on February 2, appeared at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, and, on the police offering no evidence, they were discharged.

Although the men were identified by two of the victims and pointed out to the police in the street, it was stated by Inspector Pincott that there had been a mistake in the prisoners' identity and they were unable to prove an alibi.

SNATCHING BY INDIAN SOLDIERS.

CHINESE GIRL'S WATCH STOLEN.

IMPRISONMENT SENTENCE.

Charges of larceny of a gold wrist watch and unlawfully receiving the watch, knowing the same to have been stolen, were respectively brought against two Indian soldiers, before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning.

The evidence showed that shortly after eight o'clock last night, the defendants and three other Punjabi soldiers were in Sheung On Lane, Hung Hom, where they met a Chinese girl, and, after some conversation, the first defendant was alleged to have suddenly snatched a watch from the girl's wrist and run away. The complainant raised the alarm by blowing a police whistle. Sergeant Chester-Wood, who was returning to the Police Station, heard the whistles, and, arriving on the scene, arrested the five Indians and had them taken to the Station. When searched, nothing was found on the first defendant, but the watch was discovered in the second defendant's hand.

In a statement to the police, the first defendant admitted the charge while the second defendant said the watch was given to him by the other defendant.

Giving his defence in Court, the first defendant pleaded that he purchased the watch from the girl and gave it to the second defendant as a present.

Both defendants were convicted and each sentenced to three months' hard labour.

AN OUT-OF-WORK.

ROMANIAN CHARGED WITH VAGRANCY.

Stated to be a Rumanian, a man giving the name of Trevor Carlyle Phillips, appeared before Major Wilson, at the Central Police Court this morning, charged with being in the Colony without employment, and without visible means of subsistence.

It was stated the defendant was in Shanghai for two and a half years, but lost his appointment there, and was smuggled into the Colony by the crew of a coasting steamer.

He was sent to the House of Detention.

ARMED ROBBERY.

TENANT BOUND AND GAGGED.

An armed robbery occurred yesterday afternoon in Hung Hom. Armed with knives, three men made their way into the ground floor of No. 102 Wuhu Street, and stole a sum of \$100 from a locker. A tenant whom they found in the premises was left bound and gagged in a cubicle. He freed himself after the departure of the unwelcome visitors and raised the alarm. The robbers had escaped by the time the police arrived at the house.

THE SILK DUTY.

TWO MILLIONS TO END OF JANUARY.

London, Feb. 8. In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Ronald F. McNeill, the financial secretary, stated that the total net revenue from the silk duties up to the end of January was £446,000 received from the excise duty on artificial silk. *—Reuter.*

FRAUD CASE.

THE WING ON CO AS VICTIMS.

MORE CHARGES.

The three Chinese who appeared at the Central Magistrate's Court last week on a charge of attempting to defraud the Wing On Co. of \$50,000 and interest, were again brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning, when further charges were added. The case was adjourned until next Tuesday afternoon.

Altogether there are six charges, which are as follows:—Between April 26th, and August 15th, 1923, they conspired together to defraud the Wing On Co. of the sum of \$50,000 and \$663.00 interest, by a false representation that the Company was indebted for that sum to a firm styled Kwong Cheong, and by the production of a forged deposit book; that they conspired together, with persons unknown, to forge a document purporting to be a deposit book issued by the Wing On Co. between March 9th, and May 4th, 1923, and between March 9th and August 13th; that between March 9th and May 4th, 1923, they attempted to utter a forged document purporting to be a deposit book, issued by the Wing On Co. knowing it to be forged; that they made a further attempt between March 9th, and August 13th, 1923, that on August 13th, 1923, with other persons unknown, they conspired together to endeavour to cause to be paid to the Industrial and Commercial Bank the sum of \$4,663.60, by virtue of a forged deposit book, purporting to have been issued by the Wing On Co. knowing it to be forged, and with intent to defraud the Wing On Co.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin appeared for the prosecution; Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton defended the second and third defendants; and Mr. Leo d'Almada appeared for the first defendant.

Mr. Jenkin said he thought they had got hold of a portion of a gang, whose business it was to operate upon the banks. He had nine witnesses for the prosecution. Mr. Brutton said the case arose in 1923, but it was not until the present year that it had been thought to commence proceedings. He thought he should be given time for his investigations, as the other side had had so long to prepare theirs. He should know what sort of a case he had to answer.

The question of bail was raised, and an argument ensued between Mr. Lindsell and Mr. Brutton. Eventually Mr. Lindsell decided not to grant bail, and added he would keep another date open provisionally in the event of the defence not being prepared to go on with the case when it came up next Tuesday.

THE ALTAI MARU.

VESSEL STILL AGROUND.

It has now been decided to discharge the bunker coal of the s.s. Altai Maru, which so far has resisted all attempts to get her off the bank in the Fo Tau Man Pass, on which she grounded in Sunday's fog.

Further lighters and junks have been sent out to-day and it is hoped that she will be off either this afternoon or early to-morrow. There is a danger of the vessel heeling over, and, in order to obviate the possibility, she has been secured to the shore with wire ropes. Launches and junks are warned of the danger of passing through the channel with these wire ropes in the vicinity.

The vessel had over three thousand tons of cargo on board when she grounded.

POLICE ROUND UP BEGGARS.

MOTOR VAN KEPT BUSY.

CLEARING THE STREETS.

These times of stress have not caused the beggar fraternity to think less of Hongkong as the happy hunting-ground which it undoubtedly was in more prosperous times. Consequently, with the near approach of the Chinese New Year, an extraordinarily large number of these folk have in some mysterious way been able to make the trip here from Canton and Macao, notwithstanding prevailing conditions.

There is a Police Department which is normally solely occupied with the licensing and regulation of hawkers in the Colony, but these last few days a change has been necessary come into the routine when the officer in charge found himself called upon to abate the nuisance resulting from the presence of so many beggars on the streets. Something had to be done in the cause of public order, and once again that most useful of appliances—the police motor van—has been brought into requisition.

On Thursday last an intensive campaign against the pests was carried out by Sergeant Nalloth. The chief streets were scoured and over forty beggars collected. Not without considerable trouble and embarrassment were they got together and herded into the vehicle. Some threw themselves prostrate on the ground, and broke into heart-rending cries, the better to attract the pity and invite the intervention of tender-hearted passers-by. In such cases the obstinate ones had to be lifted bodily by two or more men and bundled willy-nilly into the van.

For many of these mendicants, it was their first motor ride. Not that they could not afford this luxury, for one or two in the batch had money on them, and in their small way were quite rich. It is recounted that one young fellow had as much as \$17.50 on him when he came into the police net.

If any doubt still exists that Hongkong is not a paradise for these folk, we have only to refer to the case of an old man who was given a free ride to the station. An old friend, he is well-known to the police from the fact that attempts to rid the Colony of him permanently have hitherto failed. He has been sent back to his native place near Canton no less than ten times, but on each occasion he has always found means of returning to the Colony.

Yesterday the van again made another tour and when it returned to the Station it had a full load. During the course of the day thirteen beggars were roped in. If these energetic measures were not taken now, according to a police officer, the streets of the Colony would simply be overrun with needy folk in quest of a *lai-seh* (present) on Chinese New Year's Day.

THE BITER BIT.

REVENUE OFFICER ROBBED.

A story causing some amusement in local police circles, though the victim has yet to see the point of the joke, concerns a robbery which took place on the Kowloon side of the Harbour yesterday.

A certain local revenue officer was out visiting—in other words, he was raiding a house which was suspected to be harbouring an opium divan.

Probably his departure had been watched, for on returning home later, the officer discovered that thieves had entered his premises and taken away much of his personal property.

It is not yet known whether the officer is conducting his own enquiries into the case.

BOYCOTT EFFECT.

HOW KWANGTUNG TRADE SUFFERS.

BUSINESS STAGNANT

Hongkong's trade losses consequent upon the strike and boycott have been variously estimated. All the strike pickets detailed by the Strike Committee have failed to keep certain British goods out of the Kwangtung province, and while it is agreed that the loss has been a heavy one, it is at least some consolation to learn from facts and figures to-day to hand, that Canton's setback has been more than equal in proportion.

Kwangtung's handicap has been greater than that of Hongkong. Not only has the province been adversely affected by the strike and boycott, but two years of internecine strife, followed in the natural sequence of things in China with largely increased banditry and brigandage, the paralysation of transport facilities due partly to the depredations of roving bands of defeated soldiery which infest the province, and partly to the wilful cessation of the normal methods of water communication, have given the trade of the Province a hard hit which will need a considerable period of freedom of action if it is to recover the lost ground.

Three months ago the export trade, consisting chiefly of raw silks, native medicines, mats and other native products, had suffered enormous losses. Goods had piled up in the godowns to the value of well over one hundred million dollars. Nine-tenths of all lines of business had been adversely affected, and the restrictions on imports followed by the total suspension of those industries dependent on materials supplied by foreign countries, had created a stagnation of business which quickly resulted in financial stringency amounting almost to a panic.

While the boycott was enforced there could be no hope of the position being relieved, but fortunately the silk merchants were able to come to an arrangement with the China Merchants Navigation Company whereby their steamers were to transport the raw silk to Shanghai direct. This outlet for silk at once relieved the situation, money was more freely circulated and naturally the general trade internally improved. It is now stated that the trade of Canton has been restored to close upon forty per cent. of its normal extent.

U. S. SHARES SLUMP.

DECLINES ON NEW YORK MARKET.

New York, Feb. 8.

After several weeks of slow and gradual advance, heavy declines in many stocks occurred on the Stock Market to-day as the result of a bold raid by bears, assisted by several adverse factors, including the announcement that the Government is planning to investigate the Ward-Baking merger and rumours that the proposed merger of the Postum Cereal Corporation and the California Packing Corporation has been declared off.

These two stocks crumbled precipitately, California's falling over twenty points and Ward-Baking eleven points. The rest of the market declined sympathetically, but signs of recovery appeared in the last hour. Oils and railroads made a particularly good recovery. *—Reuter's American Service.*

GRIM MURDER IN HARBOUR.

BOATWOMAN KILLED BY ROBBERS.

BODY RECOVERED.

During the night of the 7th-8th inst., a grim affair was enacted on the harbour when robbers who went on a native passenger boat murdered the boatwoman in cold blood and dumped her body overboard. Yesterday afternoon the body was found by the water police floating about a hundred yards off the reclamation opposite Spring Garden Lane at Wanchai, with a piece of rope around the neck.

It was an old sampan woman who first reported at the Water Police Station the sudden disappearance of her friend. Apparently she had loaned or given a sum of money to the latter before this happened, as she was able to tell the police that a sum of \$100, which should have been in a certain box on the passenger boat, was not there. This circumstance gave to the police their first clue as to the nature of the case.

The second development was the discovery of the body of the missing boatwoman, with the severed end of a rope tied to her neck. The head bore the marks of a brutal attack having been committed with some sharp instrument, probably a chopper. There were no fewer than seven cuts, in all.

In view of discovery of these details, the police are now of the opinion that the robber must have been known to the boatwoman, and that this caused him to commit murder, in addition to the other crime, so as to cover up all traces of the robbery.

THE SOVIET AND DISARMAMENT.

NO REPLY TO INVITATION.

Rugby, Feb. 8.

Questioned as to the attitude of the Soviet Government towards the preliminary discussions on disarmament, Sir Austen Chamberlain said that so far as he was aware the Soviet Government had not yet officially replied to the invitation to take part in the Preparatory Commission for the disarmament conference. He understood that they objected to Geneva as a place of meeting as they were not in diplomatic relations with the Swiss Government. The British Government had not had any occasion to express an opinion on that subject. He hoped that any difficulty would be removed before the date of the meeting. *—British Wireless.*

EMBASSY COSTS.

SALARY THAT WAS INSUFFICIENT.

Washington, Feb. 8.

Giving evidence before the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives, which is considering a Bill to appropriate five million dollars to construct Embassies, Mr. Frank Page, son of the former Ambassador, Dr. Page, declared that it cost his father \$48,000 a year to run the Embassy in London on a salary of \$12,000. *—Reuter's American Service.*

ITALIAN DEBT.

AN UNFETTERED SETTLEMENT.

Rugby, Feb. 8.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Premier, stated in the House of Commons in reply to a question, that no political or commercial arrangements or concessions had been entered into with the Italian Government in connection with the war debt settlement. *—Reuter's American Service.*

SHAMEEN BANKS.

CHINESE WITHDRAWING DEPOSITS.

SYSTEM EXPLAINED.

In order to allow Chinese depositors to withdraw money from the foreign banks; the ban on entry into Shameen has been temporarily withdrawn, and it is reported that during the first day of business a sum of about three lakhs was taken out, mainly through the agency of native banks.

Under the scheme, employees of foreign banks who are on strike are permitted to resume their duties during the period of the lifting of the ban, in order that the extra work may be coped with, and, according to a Chinese report, over fifty employees of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, the Peninsula and Oriental Bank, the Bank of Taiwan and the French Bank have accordingly registered themselves at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce for service. At the time on which this report was made none of the employees of the International, Yokohama Specie or Chartered Banks had registered.

On the first day of business, a few of the depositors failed to comply with the rules laid down and were turned back. They had merely obtained a printed permit form from the Bureau of Commerce and then applied to the banks for payment. In several particulars they had omitted to carry out the rules, and hence were unable to withdraw their money.

It will be of interest to set out the rules laid down in connection with this scheme. In the first place, an applicant wishing to visit Shameen for the purpose of withdrawing money has to apply to the Bureau of Commerce, which supplies him with a printed form on which particulars have to be filled in stating the name of the depositor, the amount to be withdrawn, the name of the bank, etc. With this printed form, he proceeds to the Treasury Department, which enters up all the particulars of the permit, which in due course is returned to the applicant, together with a receipt from the Treasury. The permit and receipt are then taken to the Central Bank, where the amount of the licence fee, calculated by the Treasury, is paid. The permit and receipt are then signed and stamped, and returned to the applicant, who then proceeds to Shameen gate. Here there are pickets drawn up, and if everything is in order they allow the applicant to pass in to withdraw his money, and on his coming out again he is once more subjected to examination by the pickets, who verify the amount withdrawn. If this is correct, he goes back to the General Chamber of Commerce, returns the permit, and the following day the Chamber sends the permit back to the Bureau of Commerce for cancellation.

There are other minor details, but a sufficient description of the procedure has been given to show the awkwardness and absurdity of the system. Incidentally, also it shows that the Canton Government is working hand in glove with the boycott organizations in the carrying out of the scheme.

It is stated that the procedure for the withdrawal of jewellery, title deeds, mortgages, etc., has not yet been finally decided upon.

AIR FATALITY.

BRITISH OFFICER KILLED.

Rugby, Feb. 8.

The Air Ministry announces that as the result of an accident to a Bristol fighter at Heliopolis, Egypt, on February 6th, Flying Officer Tremellon, the pilot, was killed, and Flight Lieutenant Spry, Simpson, was seriously injured. *—Reuter's American Service.*

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VOLUNTEER INSPECTION.

STIRRING SPEECH BY H.E. THE GOVERNOR.

A Naval Unit for Hongkong.

The Governor's inspection of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps was carried out on the Murray Barracks Parade Ground last evening when a full muster of all ranks were present. The function was characterised by a stirring speech by H.E. the Governor, in which he forecasted drastic changes in the system of training and the possibility of the formation of a Naval Unit.

The Corps was drawn up by Companies, with the artillery, Machine Guns, Motor Section and Armoured Cars at the northern end, the Scottish and Reserves at the southern, and the Infantry and Engineers at the eastern, forming a hollow square with the saluting point on the western side, while the grandstand and all points of vantage in the vicinity were crowded with dense masses of spectators.

His Excellency arrived promptly at 3.45 accompanied by Major General Luard and their respective staffs, the Corps being called to attention by Lieut. Colonel Bird, O.C. Volunteer Defence Corps, while the pipers played the salute.

An inspection was then carried out, after which the troops marched past, headed by the Artillery and brought up in the rear by the Infantry and pipers. The parade was extremely impressive by reason of the soldierly bearing of the companies as they swung by the saluting point, and none more so than the Scottish, as the pibroch skirled and gave atmosphere to the colourful march of the clansmen.

The Governor's Remarks.

The Corps were then formed up in close order about the saluting point and His Excellency addressing them said:—

Officers, N. C. O.'s and Men of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps. In addressing you my mind instinctively travels back to the days when I myself stood in your ranks as a private in what was then known as "A" Machine Gun Company. A great impetus had at that time been given to volunteering, because owing to disturbances which occurred when the New Territory first came under British rule, the Volunteer Defence Corps was mobilized. To-day the call for volunteers is even more imperative because of the anti-British boycott in which, for no fault of ours, we find ourselves involved and I am glad to see so fine a muster on parade. I congratulate you all on your soldierly bearing and I desire especially to compliment the newly formed Medical Section, a unit of great value to the Hongkong garrison. It is most reassuring to see the civil population volunteering in such numbers and with such efficiency for military duty in connection with the defence of the Colony; and I thank you for your services and for the splendid spirit in which they are offered.

This esprit de corps, as I well remember, has always animated the volunteering movement in Hongkong; and it encourages me to ask even more service from you. H. E. the G. O. C. considers, and I am sure you will all agree, that the present period of your annual training is too short and I propose to see whether suitable arrangements cannot forthwith be made for prolonging it. I am also at the suggestion of H. M.'s Government, inquiring whether it would not be possible to form in Hongkong a corps of Naval Volunteers, in addition to the units which already exist. Both these projects will soon come up for public discussion and I trust that you and the whole community will give full support to any well-considered schemes which the military and naval authorities devise for enlisting additional help from civilians in the de-

THE ORTHOPHONIC VICTROLA.

GREAT IMPROVEMENT ON OLD-TYPE INSTRUMENT.

One of the outstanding musical events of the season will be a private demonstration of a new and revolutionary type of talking machine, to be given before prominent citizens, musicians, music teachers, educational authorities and newspaper representatives by S. Moutrie & Co. Ltd., Victor distributors at the Roof Garden, Hongkong Hotel this evening, at 5.15.

Said by acoustical experts and musical authorities to be not less than 300 per cent. more efficient than any previous development in the reproduction of sound from record, the new instrument, known as the Orthophonic Talking Machine, is to make its public debut here on Thursday, February 11. The private demonstration has been arranged to give leaders in the field an opportunity to hear the instrument before it makes its normal bow.

Developed upon the same basic principles which made possible long-distance telephone communication, the Orthophonic Talking Machine is described as a mechanical instrument which reproduces accurately practically the entire range of musical sound. Its outstanding virtue is said to be the elimination of all unmusical vibrations which marred reproductions in old-type instruments; and the extraordinarily faithful preservation of tone colour. Notes which heretofore could not be reproduced at all, or were so distorted as to be unpleasant or almost unrecognizable, are now said to be given forth by the Orthophonic Instrument in all their true beauty.

Instruments which in the past have been the despair of the talking-machine laboratories, are now recorded and reproduced with uncanny accuracy, say experts who have heard the new instrument. The piano reproduction is that of the real instrument, with all its magnificent range. The harp can be distinguished clearly, the drums weave their resonant background, and the various other instruments reserve their true individuality, while blending with fidelity in the ensemble.

Following to-night's private demonstration, a big public presentation of the Orthophonic Victrola will take place at S. Moutrie & Co.'s store on Thursday, the 11th inst., beginning at 10 a.m., and continuing until 6 p.m.

At both the private demonstrations to-night, and the public presentation on Thursday, the Orthophonic Instrument will be played in comparison with the old-type instrument, to give its hearer an accurate conception of the vast musical advance that has been made.

fence of this Colony. Hongkong is for its size the most wonderful Colony in the Empire. We are very proud of it. We believe in its future and to a man, each in our several posts, we shall unite to protect it from harm. In the famous Roman phrase—*Vidimus ne quid detrimenti res publica capiat*.

The parade then formed marching order and once more passing the saluting point, headed by the mechanical sections, made a circuit of the ground and returned to Headquarters.

Before dismissal, Lieut. Colonel Bird congratulated the Corps on the excellence of the parade and expressed his complete satisfaction at the success of the inspection which, he said, was the best that he had had the honour of commanding.

SUSPECTED MURDER.

MUTILATED BODY TAKEN FROM HARBOUR.

The body of an old woman was recovered from the harbour, near the Praya East Reclamation yesterday. The body had apparently not been in the water more than 3 hours.

When examined it was found that the woman had two severe wounds on the head, and had a piece of rope tied round her neck. He had apparently been stabbed and then thrown into the harbour. The matter is regarded as a case of suspected murder.

One theory put forward is that the woman was on her boat and that she was attacked by robbers who stole various articles from the boat, wounded the woman and then threw her overboard.

THE LONDON HOSPITAL.

A NEW YEAR'S GIFT FROM HONGKONG.

Miss Violet Capell has received the following letter from Viscount Knutsford acknowledging the remittance sent from the proceeds of her dancing displays last November:

London, January 1, 1926.

Dear Miss Capell.—Your letter with its splendid enclosure arrived most delightfully on New Year's day. So I am starting the year with something in the bank and pleasant feelings generally towards mankind.

Do please let me thank you and your pupils once again for this outstanding generosity. As I

fancy I have said before, it really does encourage and cheer me as Chairman to feel that 'The London' has such good and appreciative friends across the seas.

The cross-word puzzle and cuttings have not yet come, but I am looking forward to them, and they will help to keep my gratitude alive, though as a matter of fact, at 72 I find that gratitude is one of the few qualities that grows rather than diminishes.—Yours very truly,

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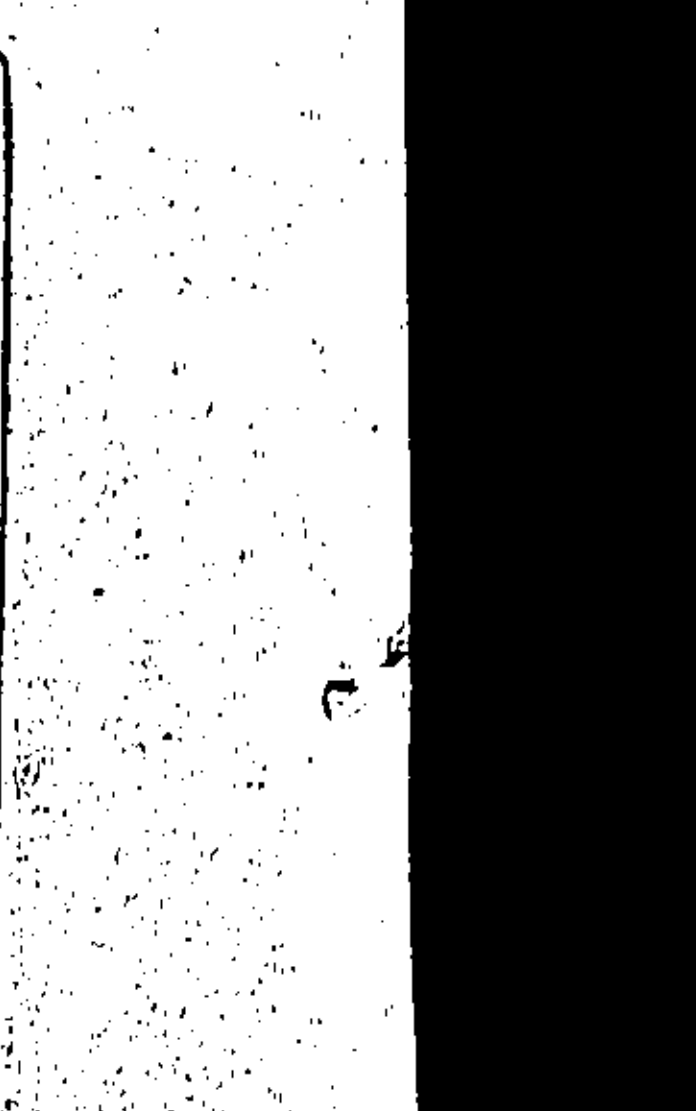
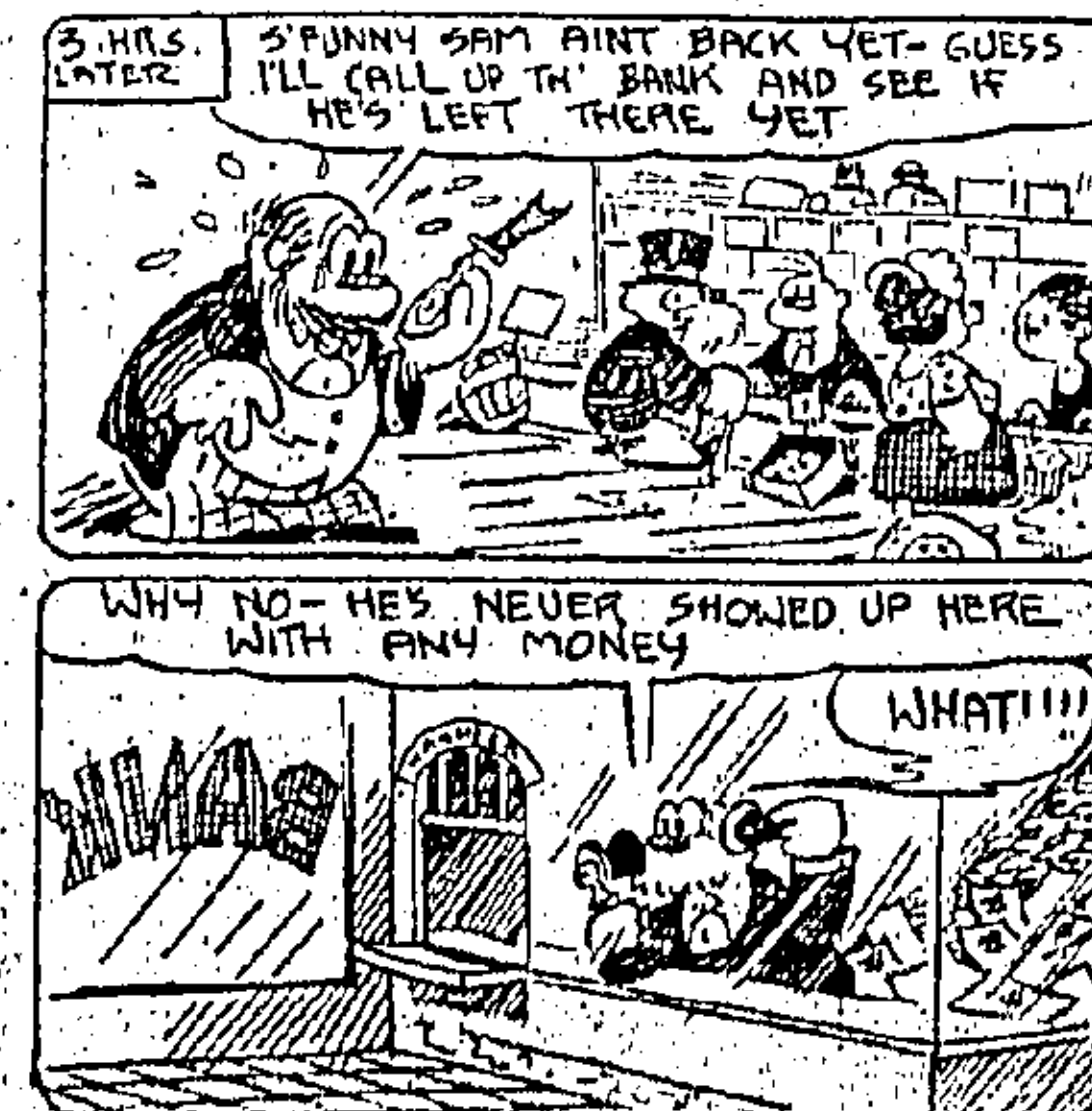
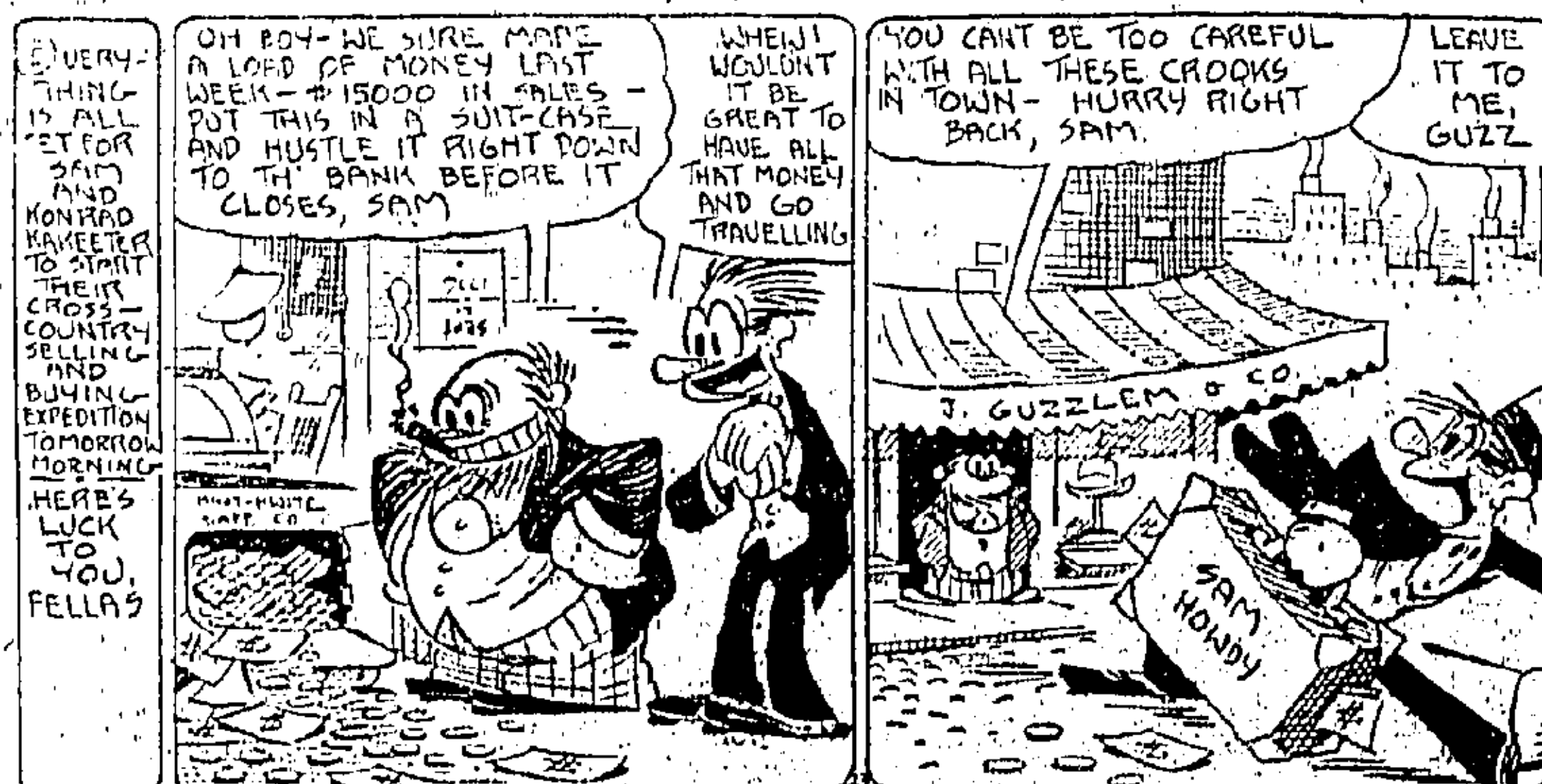
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A PAGE OF SHANGHAI PICTURES.



Mr. Hugh Maitland, who has now come to Hongkong, riding Chesterfield, on which he won the Shanghai hunt on Saturday, January 16. The start was at the Aerodrome and the finish down the Monument Line.



Mrs. J. K. Brand, riding Jack Flint, was the first side saddle on the card at the Ladies' Hunt last Sunday. As this is her first win she gets her "pink" collar.



Mr. Wu, Educational Minister for Kiangsu, scored a "Bull" on the miniature range at Millington Camp just after the range had been opened by Colonel W.F.L. Gordon, C.M.G., D.S.O.



Mr. "Chuck" Burkill, riding Hullabaloo, caught by the cameraman just as he was taking off at one of the jumps on the Monument Line at the Hunt on January 16.



A group taken at the Junior Golf Club championship final in Shanghai when Messrs. C. H. Hopkins and C. H. Colam fought out the final over 33 holes, the former winning by 2 up and 1 to play. The two finalists are seen seated with their caddies in front of them. Mr. Hopkins, the winner, is also captain of the club, which made his success the more popular.



At a special parade of all branches of the Shanghai Municipal Police, the Chairman of the Municipal Council presented distinguished conduct medals to Sgt. W. H. Widdowson, Temporary Constable E. A. C. Verschaer, Sikh Havildar Badhawa Singh, and Chinese Constable Chuan Yu-lou. The officers and men presented with medals are seen lined up.



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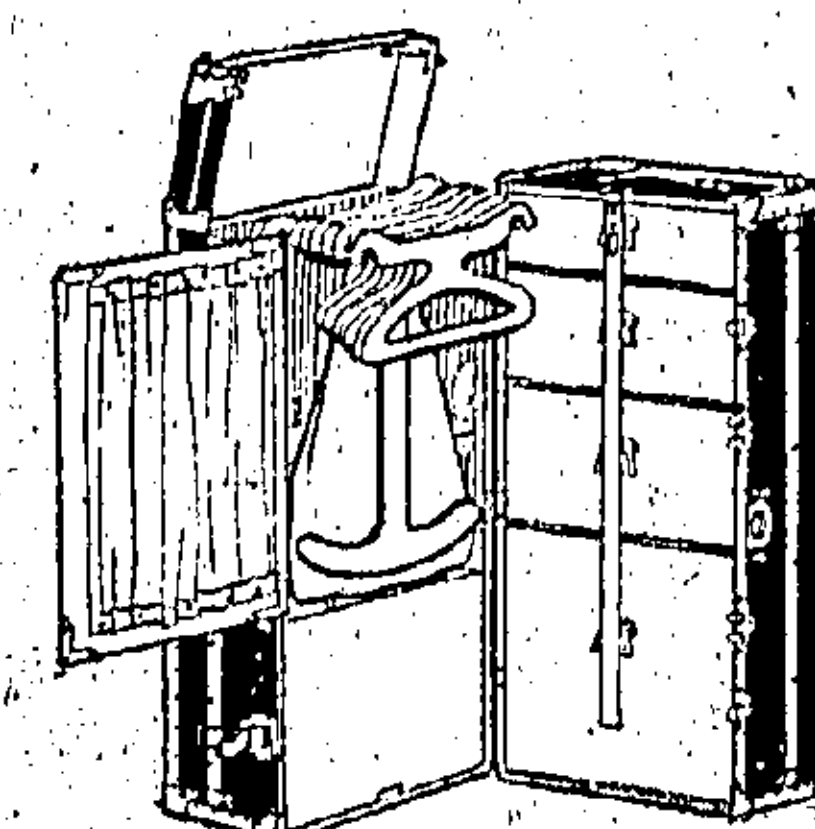
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P. M. HODGSON,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, Feb. 6, 1926.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at City Hall Hongkong, on Saturday the 27th February 1926, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December 1925.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday the 15th February to Saturday the 27th February 1926 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Court of Directors
A. H. BARLOW
Chief Manager.

Hongkong 8th February 1926.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 10th February, to the 22nd February (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be Registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, Feb. 3, 1926.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 4A, Des Voeux Road, on TUESDAY 16th FEBRUARY 1926 at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY 3rd FEBRUARY to TUESDAY 16th FEBRUARY 1926, both days inclusive, during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1926.

FANLING HUNT STEEPCHASES.

CHINA NEW YEAR MEETING.
Monday, February 15th, 1926.

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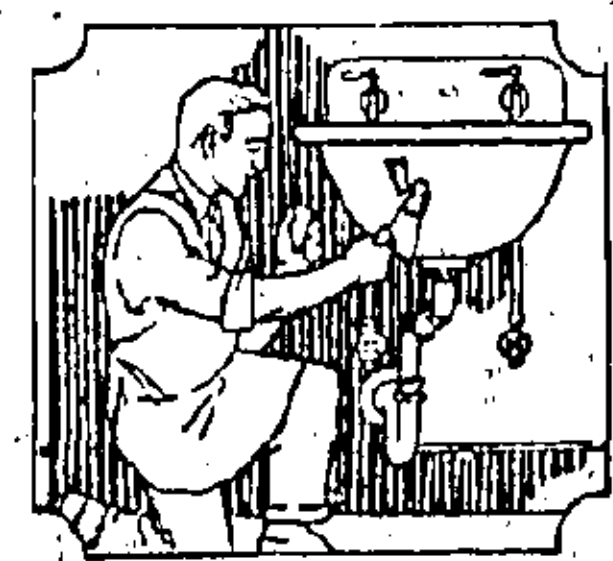
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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 29th inst., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th inst., at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 12th. Feb. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 26th Feb. 1926, or they will not be recognised.

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5th February 1925.

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 9 a.m. to-day requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, Goods remaining unclaimed after Tuesday the 9th. instant: at noon will be subject to rent and lading charges.

All claims must be sent in to us on or before the Friday, the 12th. inst. or they will not be recognised.

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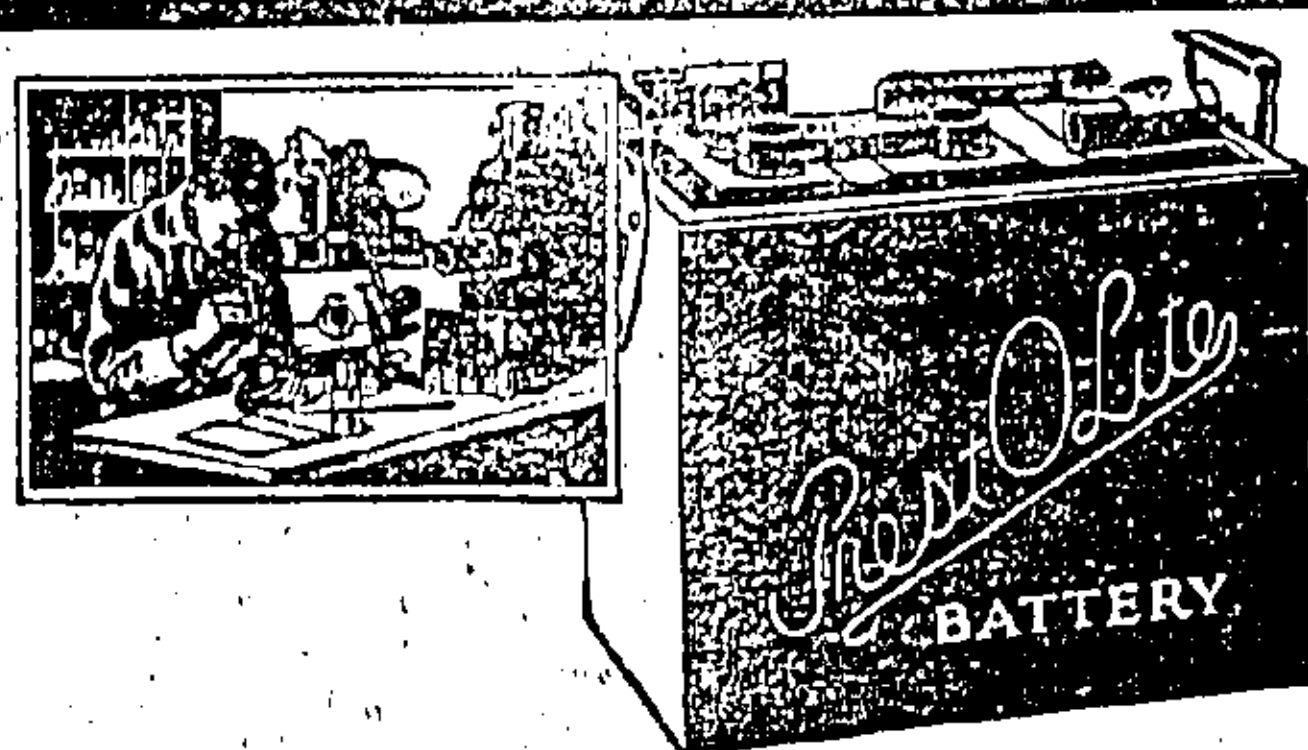
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WEIHAUWEI CONSTABLE,
IN THE DOCK.Defendant's Statement Made to
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The hearing of the case in which a Weihauiwei constable is charged with the murder of an Indian policeman was continued before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted. Defendant was not legally represented.

An Indian policeman said he saw the defendant shortly before ten o'clock on January 22, on Lower Albert Road. He seemed rather frightened and had a truncheon in his right hand. His revolver was in the holster, his hand resting on the holster. When defendant addressed him, witness asked what was the matter and received the reply "Your feli has died." Witness asked how, and defendant replied "I have bulletted him."

Witness had heard no shot fired. He accompanied the defendant to the Parade Ground and saw the Indian constable lying on the ground. He was lying face downwards and was still alive at that time.

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Witness turned the man on his back and tried to pour water down his throat. His revolver was in its holster, the flap being fastened. His turban was lying unwound, some yards away.

Another Indian constable said that when he went to the Parade Ground and saw the defendant and last witness standing over the man on the ground, he noticed nothing unusual in the appearance of the defendant except that he seemed to be melancholy.

Shortly afterwards, defendant told witness that he met the Indian constable and they abused each other and a fight developed.

Lance-sergeant J. S. Scott, of the Royal Artillery, said he walked up from the lower tram station and saw defendant with a truncheon in his hand calling out for a sedan chair. Witness followed when the chair moved off, and when he arrived outside the Parade Ground, saw the Indian lying on the ground.

Statement by Defendant.

Witness asked defendant in English what was the matter, and he replied in broken English and by gestures that he had hit the Indian with his truncheon. Defendant showed witness his revolver and one round fell out.

An interpreter said that when defendant arrived at the charge room he made a statement to him in which he said that the Indian, in trying to relieve him of his truncheon, tore his pocket.

The Indian tried to get hold of his revolver in order to fire at him. Defendant saw he was in danger and he turned the revolver away from himself and it went off. The bullet struck the Indian, although he did not intend to shoot him.

Witness added that defendant further stated the revolver went off while it was in the holster, the bullet passing through the end of the holster.

The case was adjourned until to-day.

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END OF DEBATE ON KING'S
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The Coal Question.

Rugby, Feb. 8.

The debate in the House of Commons on the address to the Throne in reply to the King's Speech will conclude to-day when the Liberal amendment raising the Government's educational policy will be discussed.

Financial matters will occupy attention for the greater part of the week when supplementary estimates will be laid before Parliament.

The coal question will be raised by the Liberals but the general debate on this subject must inevitably await the publication of the Commission's report and a statement by the Government of the policy they propose to adopt in the light of that report.

The Labour Party will return to the question of subsidising steel houses in Scotland, and among other subjects that are likely to be discussed on supplementary estimates are the sugar beet industry grants, the Northern Ireland Government, and unemployment.—British Wireless.

YARN MARKET.

A DULL PERIOD REPORTED.

Messrs. Polishwalla and Kotwall, cotton and yarn brokers, report:

There is no change to report in the condition of our yarn market, which, since our last report, some weeks back, has remained utterly featureless and stagnant. Demand from the interior has gradually dwindled to a vanishing point, the few sales coming under our observation, in the interval now under notice, have been more or less of a hand to mouth business, consisting of a few bales here and there for immediate requirements.

We fear that the immediate future holds no prospect of any improvement so long as the country districts remain in the disturbed state that they have been in for the last twelve months. Indeed signs are not wanting that the greater part of China is visibly drifting towards a chaotic condition, each province and even cities being a law unto themselves, rendering trade prospects gloomy in the extreme.

Total sales are hardly 1,000 bales all told. Unsold stock, 5,000 bales. Bargain in Chinese hands, 3,500 bales.

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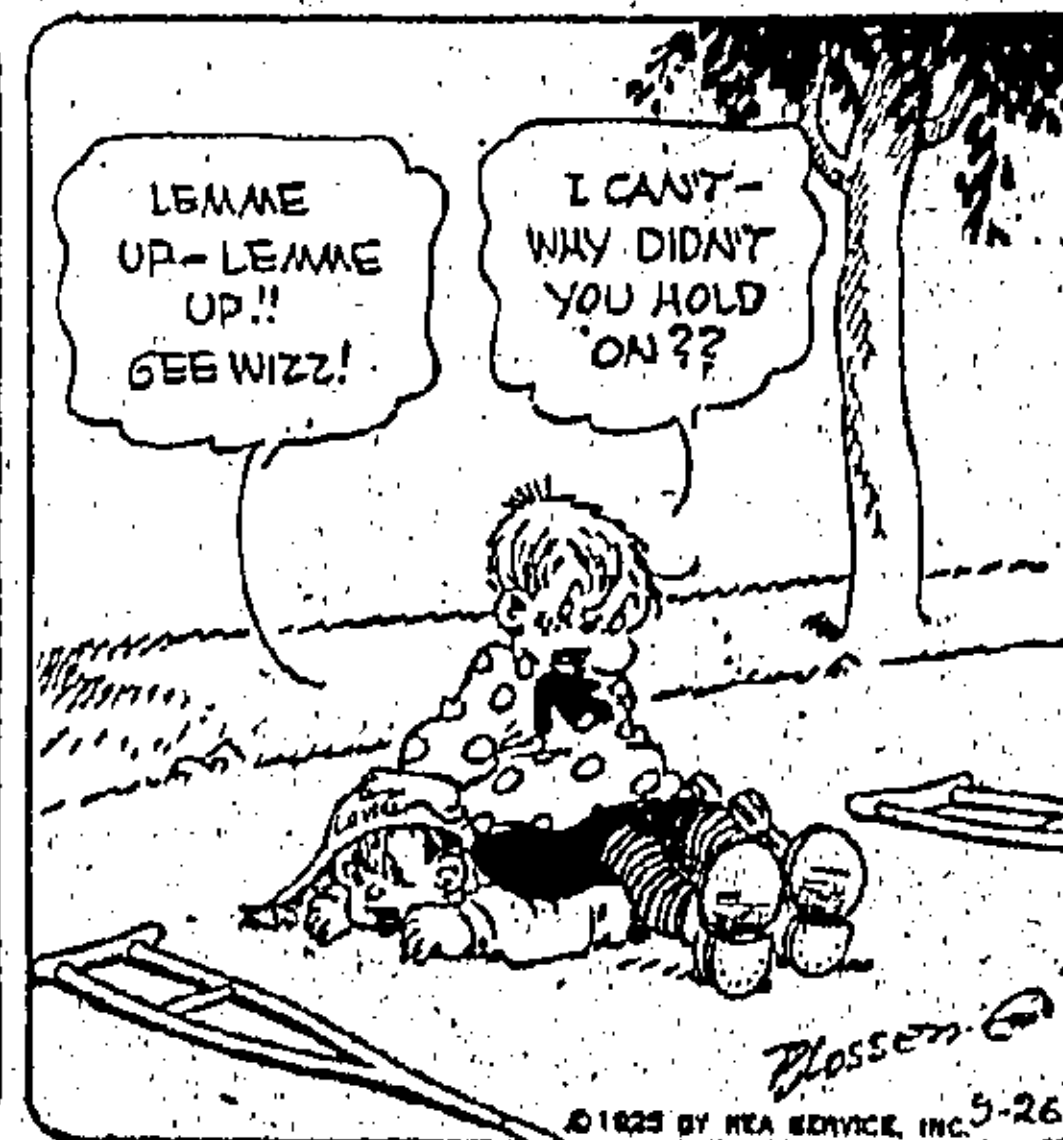
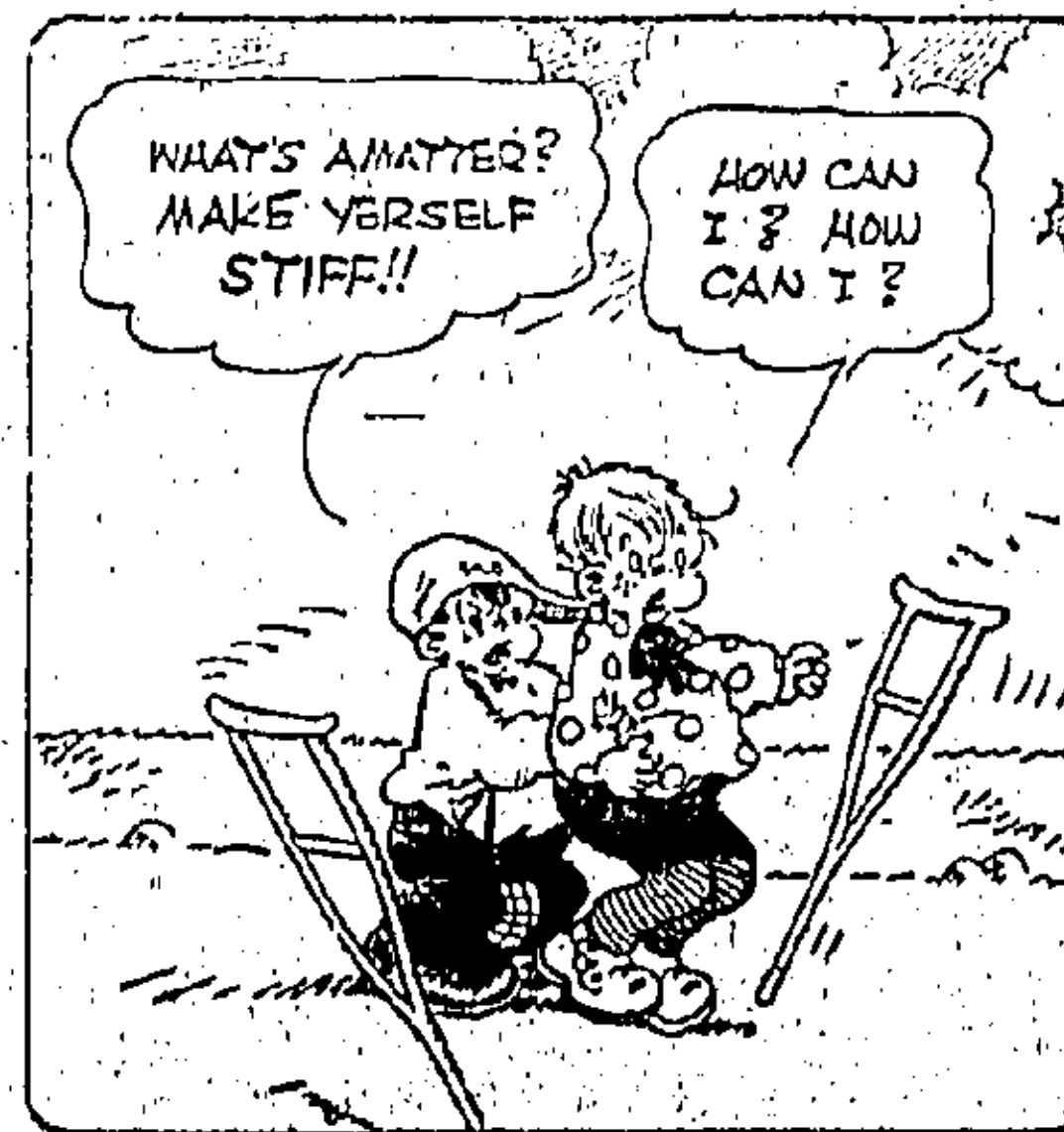
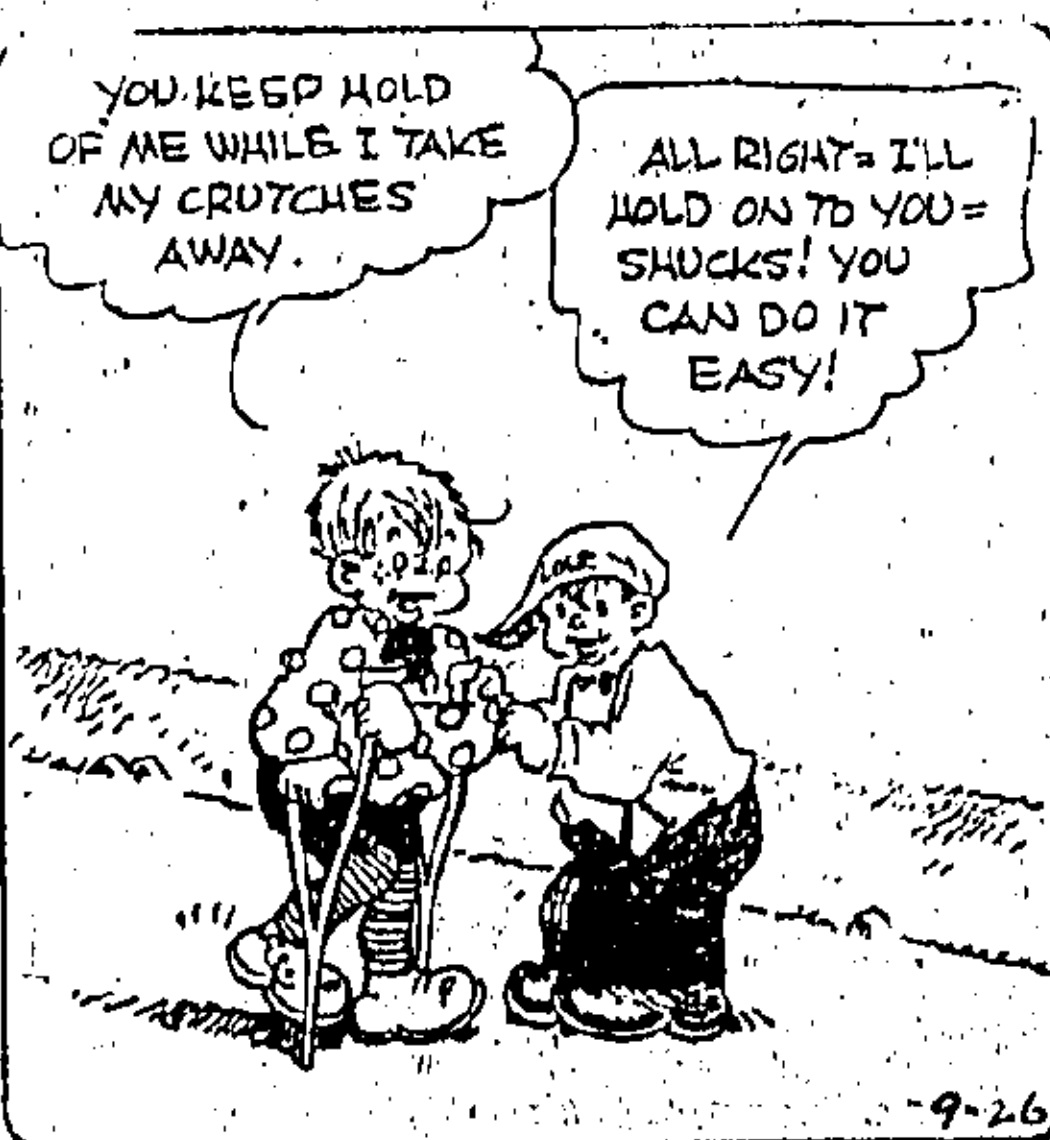
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The Telegraph

TUESDAY, FEB. 9, 1926.

PROHIBITION
PROBLEMS.

Bishop Manning of New York has denied the official character of the Church Temperance Society's declaration in favour of modifying the Prohibition law and there is, in consequence, a split in one of the largest churches of the United States over this problem. Of all the laws ever passed in the United States it can truthfully be said that none has given rise to more discontent and discord than has the Volstead Act, and even if it can be asserted that the Eighteenth Amendment to the American Constitution has resulted in lessened intoxication among the general population, it is very much open to question whether the public irritation caused by prohibition has been justified. This is the argument now being strongly used by the anti-dry's, and a regular campaign is now raging in the United States to induce Congress to modify the Volstead Act so that light wines and beers can again be sold openly and under the vigilant eye of the administrative authorities.

There are many very sincere public men and women, prominent leaders in social uplift and religious work, who are profoundly convinced that the passing of total prohibition has proved a mistake. The tremendous number of prosecutions under the Act and the enormous cost the working of the law has proved to the country are cited as being but two reasons why a modification should be passed. Reuter wired us only yesterday that the House of Representatives had approved of the expenditure of \$3,900,000 for coastguard vessels for use against rum runners. But the question of cost is subsidiary to that of criminalising a comparatively large percentage of the population whose only guilt is that of wanting something to which they think they have a right and yet which is denied. It is the old story of restriction breeding desire, whereas freedom induces moderation. There is no doubt, according to those favour-

ably placed to know, that before the days of prohibition public drinking of alcohol in America was too much of a communal evil to be allowed to go untouched. But, the mistake was made of attempting to sweep the whole thing away entirely instead of seeking to improve the situation gradually by means of stricter control. The licensing laws of Great Britain, for example, prevent a great many of the abuses from which the United States is suffering, and, although there is far too much money spent in Britain annually on drink, it would have been a more statesman-like thing for America to have attempted stricter control instead of a whole ban. The great effect of prohibition (and this is not denied even by its supporters) has been to drive the drink trade underground, to make illicit high-priced and deleterious drink available to the rich and not to the poor, to turn men otherwise law-abiding into secret offenders, and to widen the basis and scope of criminal law to impinge on yet another of the liberties of citizens. This prohibition problem is indeed a large one, and one that will have to be faced very boldly by American politicians if they wish to uphold their high reputation for clear and straight thinking.

Bishop Manning thinks that observance of the law will increase (a statement which implies that it is being unduly broken at present) and that to attempt modification would be to bring about nullification, and for these reasons he says that the official attitude of the church will be to support prohibition. In the course of the past few years the church in Britain and America has lost something of its grip on the hearts and imaginations of the people because it has failed to keep in sympathy with the daily life and problems of the masses. So much as often been confessed by church leaders, and we would only remark that there is a dangerous lack of sympathy with the majority of his flock reflected in Bishop Manning's attitude. We are certain that careful and intelligent reform of America's drink laws would prove of inestimable benefit to all.

More Proof.

An interesting item clearly showing the Canton Government's complicity in the strike and boycott movement has just been published. It is to the effect that the Strike Committee, having received reports that "undesirable" goods have been smuggled into Chinese territory and that certain Chinese have been "harbouring people to sneak out to Hongkong," has petitioned the Government to send out gunboats for patrol duty at various points; and the Naval Bureau has since informed the Strike Committee that its request has been granted. In other words, Canton Government war vessels are to be utilised to maintain the boycott. One could, of course, understand the use of gunboats for the prevention of smuggling arms, salt or opium, but when it comes to placing these vessels on duty to prevent the importation of boycotted goods and to stop the free movement of Chinese from Kwangtung to Hongkong, then there can no longer be any doubt as to the Canton Government working in close contact with the boycott leaders. In face of these and other facts which have been cited, how can the Canton Government pose as not being a principal in the negotiations for a settlement? The plain truth is that it is not only a principal so far as negotiations are concerned, but what is much more to the point, it is an actual party to the boycott. Due note is no doubt being taken of incidents like the one quoted, which all go to involve the Canton authorities directly in the issue.

The Standard Oil Co. has issued a most striking Chinese calendar, copies of which are being distributed locally.

DAY BY DAY.

DO YOU KNOW WHAT IS MORE HARD TO BEAR THAN THE REVERSES OF FORTUNE? IT IS THE BASENESS, THE HIDEOUS INGRATITUDE, OF MAN.—Napoleon.

The Empress of Asia left Vancouver on the 7th instant and is due here on the 26th.

The Empress of Russia left Nagasaki at 8 a.m. to-day and is due at Kobe to-morrow at 7 a.m.

The Canadian Pacific Steamship, Ltd., has issued a beautifully coloured Chinese calendar.

The only case of notifiable disease reported over the week-end was one Chinese occurrence of typhoid fever.

The weather forecast for to-morrow is:—East or variable winds, moderate to light; generally overcast, some drizzle or mist.

The Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong is holding a dinner at the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel on the 19th instant.

Two men have been arrested by the police in connection with the armed robbery in the servants' quarters of the Fong Pin Hospital on Cheungchau Island.

The master of the s.s. Mantua reports having sighted on Monday in Lat. 25.45 N. Long. 120.24 E., a derelict waterlogged junk, constituting a danger to navigation.

A bulletin issued by the Kuomintang announces the dismissal of Lin Sum from the Executive Council of the Canton Government, and also from the Committee of Political Affairs.

There is no further news concerning the stranded steamers "Hunan" and "Kweiyang." The tug and lighters left for Hainan last evening as arranged and the "Taming" cleared with stores this morning.

From the Lloyd Triestino we have received a calendar which bears a coloured study showing one of the Company's modern motor ships, with a phantom vessel of the old type cleverly worked into the design.

Through being bitten in the leg by a dog, which has since been removed to Kennedy Town for observation, a Chinese woman, who lives at No. 93, Reclamation Street, was taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday.

A Chinese was admitted into the Government Civil Hospital yesterday in a state of coma produced by the taking of an overdose of opium. It is stated by the police that the man had had the intention of committing suicide.

Jumping off the verandah of an upper floor of No. 102, Haitan Street, a Chinese woman fractured her skull and died later in the Kwong Wah Hospital. In a report issued by the police this morning, the belief is expressed that the woman intended to end her life, as she had been in ill-health for some time.

H. M. S. Despatch arrived from the north yesterday, and berthed in the man of war anchorage. H. M. S. Yarmouth sailed for Home with the paid off crew of H. M. S. Hawkins and H. M. S. Calliope was undocked at Kowloon and refueled, prior to departure to-morrow for Home with relieved ratings from the China Station. H. M. S. Hawkins sailed for Mirs Bay to carry out practices.

It is mentioned in a Shanghai contemporary that Mr. B. Lander Lewis, who came down to Hongkong on the P. & O. s.s. Malwa, will take over from the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, who is going Home on leave at the end of March. As Mr. Lewis will be away from Shanghai for some 3 or 4 months he has resigned from the Secretaryship of the China Association and Mr. A. M. Cobbett of Messrs. Maitland & Co. will be the future Secretary and Hon. Treasurer of the Association.

RUBBER EXCHANGE.

A NEW YORK DEVELOPMENT.
New York, Feb. 8.
Additional facilities for dealing with rubber will be available on February 15, when the New York Rubber Exchange opens for business.—Reuter's American Service.

GERMANY AND ITALY.

GERMANS RESENT
MUSSOLINI'S SPEECH.

Berlin, Feb. 8.
The newspapers here are up in arms against Mussolini on account of his speech in the Italian Chamber, the Nationalists describing him as "a megalomaniac and amateur politician," and declaring that Germany, being disarmed, is unable to give the reply which the speech deserved. The Democrat papers are also most bitter. While not trying to excuse the Bavarian Premier whose incursions into foreign politics caused the attack, they declare that the Italian Premier was unjustified to indulge "in such insulting attacks on the German nation. It is caustically remarked that the speech is scarcely calculated to do Mussolini honour as a signatory of the Locarno appears gradually to be waning.

It is generally felt that Mussolini is making a mountain out of a molehill as the German Government itself does not approve of the Bavarian campaign. Herr Stresemann is expected to reply in the Reichstag on February 9 (Tuesday).—Reuter.

AN UNJUSTIFIED ATTACK.

Berlin, Feb. 8.
The Cabinet to-day spent most of the time discussing Signor Mussolini's speech. Its decision to reply at the open session of the Reichstag on Feb. 9, is generally approved. The speech was unanimously described as an unjustified attack on Germany and the opinion was reported to have been expressed that such words would formerly have been regarded as a threat of war.—Reuter.

ORANGES BOYCOTTED!

London, Feb. 8.
The Daily News Berlin correspondent says that as a result of Mussolini's anti-German speech, shopkeepers and housewives at Munich have begun a boycott of Italian oranges. He adds that the following notice has been posted at railway stations: "Germans who propose to visit Italy are traitors."—Reuter.

THE TRADE ACTS.

PROPOSED EXTENSION OF
FACILITIES.

London, Feb. 8.
A White Paper announces that the Government proposes to extend the period in which guarantees may be given under the Trade Facilities Acts from March 31 next to March 31, 1927, and to increase the total capital amount of loans the principal or interest of which may be guaranteed under the Acts from £70,000,000 to £75,000,000. It is estimated that by March 31 next the authority for £5,000,000 guarantees will be unused and therefore the maximum contingent charge on the taxpayer under these proposals will be charged for interest on and the redemption of the sum of £10,000,000.

It is also proposed to extend the date to which the Board of Trade may give guarantees under the Overseas Trade Acts and the date to which the guarantees may remain in force from Sept. 8, 1926, and Sept. 8, 1930, to Sept. 8, 1929, and Sept. 8, 1933, respectively. The Overseas Trade Acts authorised the Board of Trade to make arrangements in connection with the export trade for granting credits and giving guarantees to an amount not exceeding £26,000,000.—Reuter.

EXCHANGE RATES.

Rugby, Feb. 8.
To-day's exchange rates are as follows:
Paris 131
New York 480 7/10
Brussels 107
Geneva 25.24
Amsterdam 12.18
Milan 120.70
Berlin 20.48
Stockholm 18.16
Copenhagen 19.75
Oslo 23.31
Vienna 34.50
Prague 164 1/2
Helsinki 193
Madrid 34.50
Lisbon 20.48
Rio 7 1/2
Buenos Aires 46 1/2
Bombay 1/6 3/10
Shanghai 8 1/4
Hongkong 2 1/4
Yokohama 1 10/16
Silver (spot) 80 15/16
Silver (forward) 80 1/2
—British Wireless.

PRETTY WEDDING.

WYATT-BLAIR.

A wedding of considerable local interest took place at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, this afternoon, the contracting parties being Mr. James Roger Godfrey Wyatt, (son of Mrs. Wyatt, of Shrewsbury, and the late Mr. J. Wyatt, of Bournemouth) and Miss Isabella A. Blair, of the Kowloon British School (daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Blair, of Perth, West Australia, and Campsie, Scotland). There was a large gathering of guests, these including Mrs. P. W. Southern, Capt. J. Thompson, R. A. S. C., and Mrs. Thompson, Mr. E. Ralphs, Capt. G. A. Clements, R. A. S. C., Mr. Clements, Mr. and Mrs. Stark, Mr. and Mrs. Nightingale, and Mr. and Mrs. Brown. The Rev. G. R. Lindsay was the officiating clergyman.

The bride, who was given away by Mr. R. E. Atwell, of the Asiatic Petroleum Company, was attired in a gown of white satin beauty, with trimmings of silver lace, and train of satin and silver lace applique, and she also wore an embroidered tulle veil and wreath of orange blossoms. Her bouquet was of white roses and maidenhair fern.

Miss Evelyn Thompson was bridesmaid, and she wore a dress of apricot crepe de chine, trimmed with deep silver lace, with hat en suite. Her bouquet was of sweetpeas and roses.

The matron of honour was Mrs. R. E. Atwell, who was attired in a dress of black satin beauty, cape of Chantilly lace, with medallions of beaten silver applied on gown, and carried a bouquet of red roses and maidenhair fern. Her hat was a smart French model. Lieut. P. W. Southern, of the Royal Artillery, was the "best man."

After the ceremony, a reception was held at "Kingsclere," Kowloon, and later the couple left for Repulse Bay, where the honeymoon is being spent, the bride's going-away dress being of deep wine coloured crepe satin, trimmed with French embossed velvet, worn with a beige hat.

MORE MOTOR CASES.

TWO EUROPEANS FINED.

Among the defendants appearing in traffic cases, before Major Willson, at the Central Police Court this morning, were two Europeans. Mr. C. H. Hoare, employed by the Dragon Motor Company, was summoned for driving a motor car in a manner dangerous to the public on January 5th.

Serjt. T. McMahon said on the date in question he was at Wong Nei Cheong Road, where there were a number of cars, and many pedestrians, who were leaving a football ground. While witness was controlling the traffic, the defendant drove past him at a dangerous speed, which he estimated to be between twenty five and thirty miles an hour. If any of the other cars had turned into the road, there would have been an accident.

The defendant said he did not remember the occasion. The car, he said, was used by other members of the Company, and the driver might have been him or it might not.

A fine of \$10 was imposed. Mr. S. J. Squire, residing at 2, Watson Road, and employed by the Hongkong Electric Company, was summoned for reckless driving, on January 18th.

The defendant said the summons was correct, but he thought there were extenuating circumstances. Continuing, he said he was proceeding up the hill, near the Civil Hospital, at Morrison Gap Road, behind a motor car which slowed down at the entrance to the Hospital. Defendant sounded his horn, and the driver of the car signalled for him to pass. As he was passing the car, he saw a police sergeant approaching down the hill, and he had to accelerate to a fast speed to get to his proper side of the road, and clear the car.

Inspector Kent, who was on the scene at the time, said the incident nearly resulted in an accident. The defendant was going so fast that as he swerved, his sidecar wheel lifted slightly from the ground.

The defendant added he had been driving for twelve years and had not been summoned before. He was fined \$5.

SATURDAY'S PEAK CHURCH WEDDING.



Bridal group taken at the wedding of Mr. S. O. Hill, of the P. W. D., and Miss Sybil M. Hilton, which took place at the Peak Church on Saturday. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

THE MIDDLE EAST.

BRITAIN'S POLICY OUTLINED.

Rugby, Feb. 8.

The Rt. Hon. Mr. L. S. Amery, Colonial Secretary, spoke at Leeds on Britain's position in the Middle East. He said that Britain could not get out of Egypt. Sir Austen Chamberlain, the Foreign Secretary, had found it necessary to make it clear that while Great Britain desired to encourage Egyptian national life she wished Egypt to understand that she must pay regard to Britain's Imperial rights and responsibilities, both in regard to the safety of British communications through Egypt and the British position in the Sudan.

With regard to Iraq, Mr. Amery said that whereas we had costly armies there a few years ago we now kept it secure by a mere handful of troops and a small but efficient air force. Recent development had been carried out not by a high hand imposed on an unwilling people, but by the people of the country themselves with the aid of British officials. The country was now in a position to pay its own way and nothing stood in the way of greater development except a certain want of security as to the future. The people of Iraq asked what we were going to do at the end of 1928. Were we going to quit the country without any future form of co-operation or were we to renew the present Treaty in some form and give Iraq a considerable security. They were also anxious to know whether they were to retain present frontiers or whether Britain would hand over certain portions around Mosul to the clamour of the Turks. These two questions had now been cleared up. The Council of the League of Nations, by a unanimous decision, had held that the case of Iraq was a good case. They added that Britain should not clear out of Iraq at the end of 1928 but should continue her co-operation with that country. He believed that so far from creating a new war, that settlement was providing the basis for a future friendly understanding with Turkey, against whom we bore no grudge and with whom we wished to continue to live on terms of complete friendship.

Referring to Palestine, Mr. Amery said that Great Britain had undertaken to provide the Jews with a national home only on condition that they inflicted no harshness or injustice on the Arab population. That was Britain's policy and it would be continued.

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Washington, Feb. 3.—The Treasury Department has sponsored a request to congress for an appropriation sufficient to purchase five huge hydroplanes for the war against liquor smugglers. An effort is being made to obtain the use of many more airplanes and seaplanes for scout work against smugglers both in the Atlantic and the Pacific.

The five special hydroplanes requested to-day will be put into service on the Atlantic coast for the purpose of running down and capturing the small speed boats which are used to bring liquor ashore.

TOLL OF POISONOUS LIQUOR.

New York, Feb. 3.—Declaring that the real rum row is no longer aloft but is hidden in the garrets, abandoned garages and private houses of New York City, District Attorney Buckner, fighting son of an Iowa preacher, who was sent here from the middle west to drive the bootleggers from New York, states that all the hydroplanes in the United States cannot help the appalling situation in the metropolis.

He declared in an interview that deaths from poisonous liquor in the city alone had risen from 87 in 1918 to 511 in 1925. He said that 99 per cent. of the liquor seized during the past year by his department was impure and poisonous. He declared that there was no means of estimating the true number of deaths due to drinking bad whiskey or the havoc to general health.

"I believe that if prohibition is ever to be enforced," declared Buckner, "the United States government must take a new grip on itself. If it is not to be enforced, I am in favour of its immediate repeal or modification."

Buckner echoed the recent statement of General Lincoln Andrews, head of the prohibition enforcement work, that the diversion of industrial alcohol into bootleg channels was prohibition's greatest curse. The district attorney said to-day that sufficient permits for the withdrawal of alcohol for manufacturing purposes, had been issued in the last twelve months "to keep all of the women in the world supplied with a few quarts of perfume the rest of their lives."

Buckner scoffed at the attempt to enforce prohibition "by dramatic naval battles along rum row." He intimated that the trouble lay in Washington, where the distribution of industrial alcohol is regulated. —United Press.

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MARINE WIRELESS DISPUTE.

A DEADLOCK IN NEGOTIATIONS.

Rugby, Feb. 8.

Mr. H. B. Betterton, the Under Secretary for Labour, said that his Department had been in constant communication with both parties in the marine wireless dispute with a view to arranging a settlement.

The position to-day was that the Wireless Operators' Association had informed the Department that the proposals of the employers were unacceptable. Both parties included a reference to arbitration in their proposals but differences existed as to the basis of arbitration and as to the terms on which work was to be resumed. A communication had been sent to the employers to-day and it was hoped that it might be possible to arrange a joint meeting, when their reply had been received. —British Wireless.

RUSSIAN OPERA CO.

SPLENDID SHOW LAST NIGHT.

The Russian Imperial Light Opera Company's colourful presentation of the "Count of Luxembourg" attracted a good audience to the Star Theatre last evening.

The principals were all in good voice, the duet of the Count and his unseen bride being most delightfully rendered.

A great asset to the show is the excellent dancing by the chorus, and the Cossack dance by a male member of the chorus was vociferously applauded long before the artists had concluded. It was probably the first time many present had seen the dance properly performed, but the dancer failed to respond to the repeated requests for more.

This evening the Company is to give a variety entertainment.

A Poona message of Jan. 14 to the Daily Mail states that early this morning the A.F.I. armoury was broken into by some Pathans who, after overpowering the guard, made a hole in a stone wall about 25 feet square and entering inside stole six army revolvers. The guard consisted of two chowkidars, Lingoo and Ignatius Lingoo, who was gagged and bound hand and foot, was found dead at the back of the armoury having been dragged from his post to the rear. No marks of violence were found on his body and a post mortem examination revealed that death was due to suffocation. Ignatius is missing. The District Superintendent of Police, Mr. Boyd, and the General Officer Commanding, Sir Charles Richardson, visited the scene and it is likely that a board of officers will meet to discuss the mounting of an armed military guard hereafter. The Cantonment police have the case in hand.

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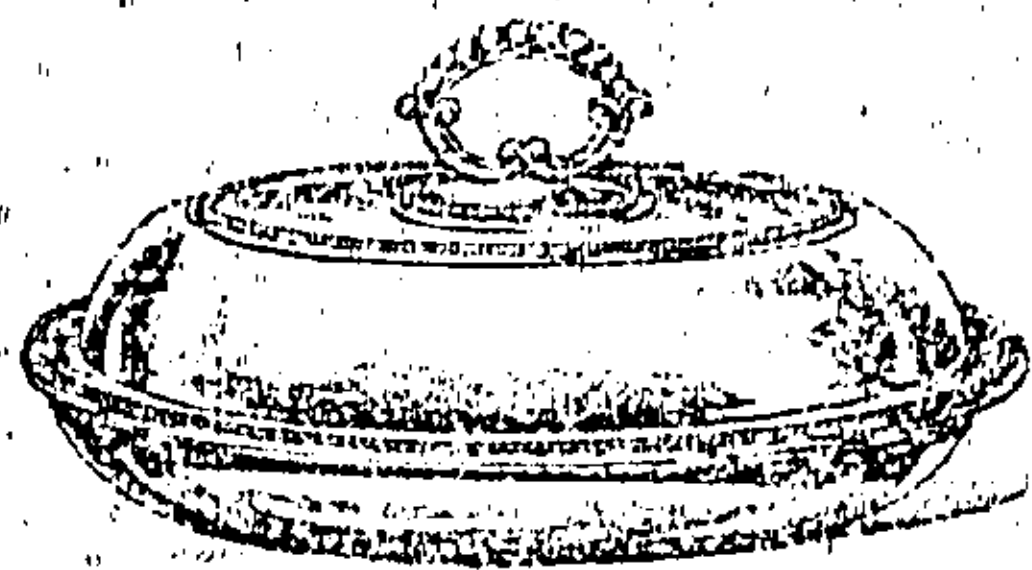
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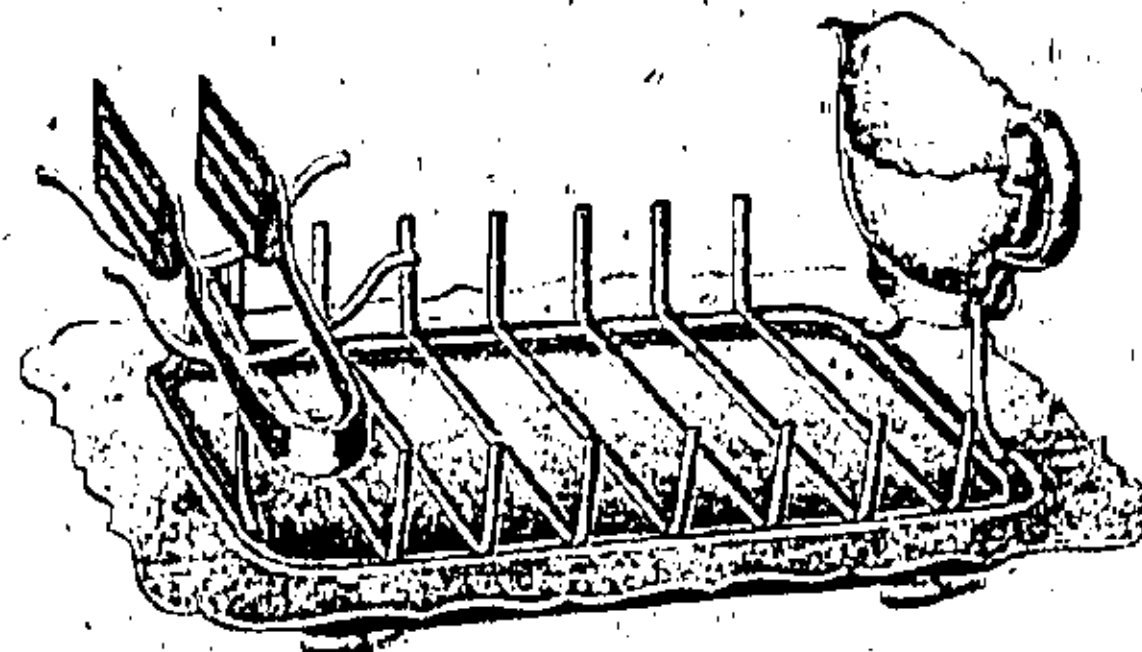
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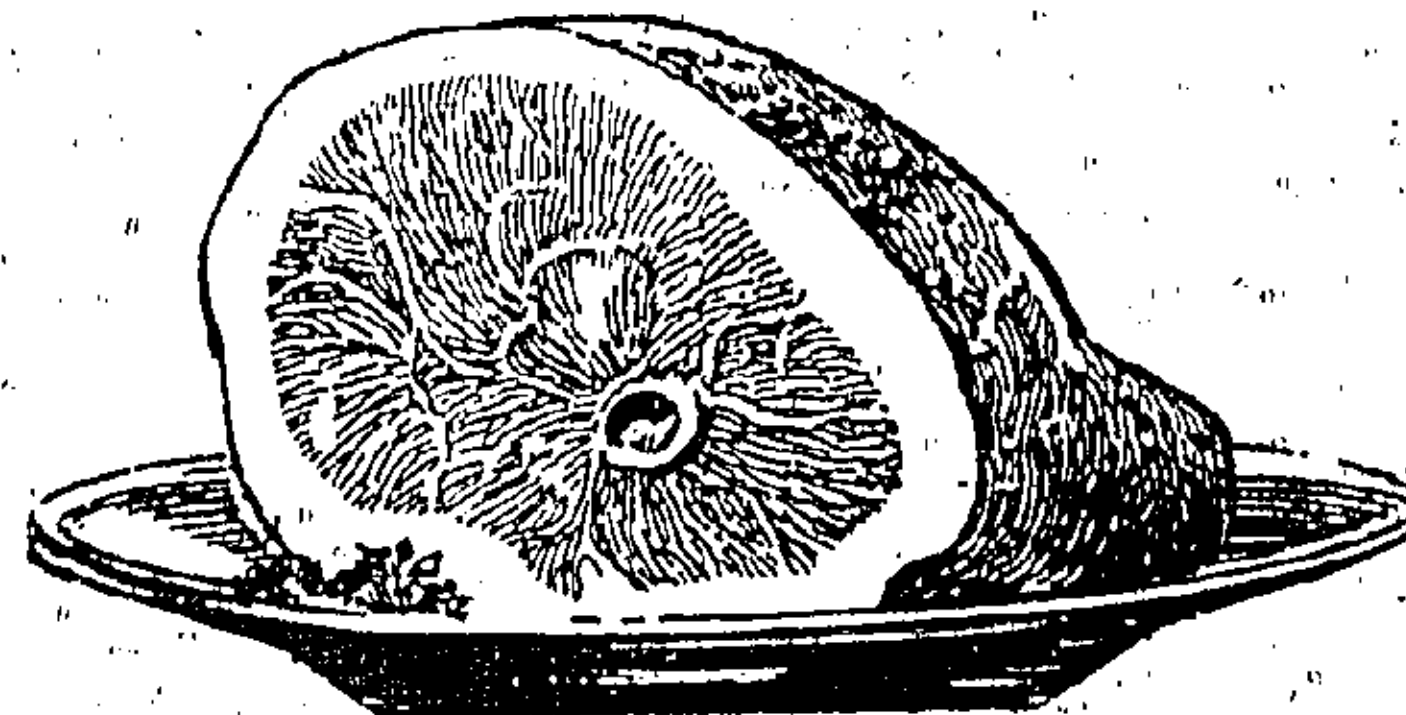
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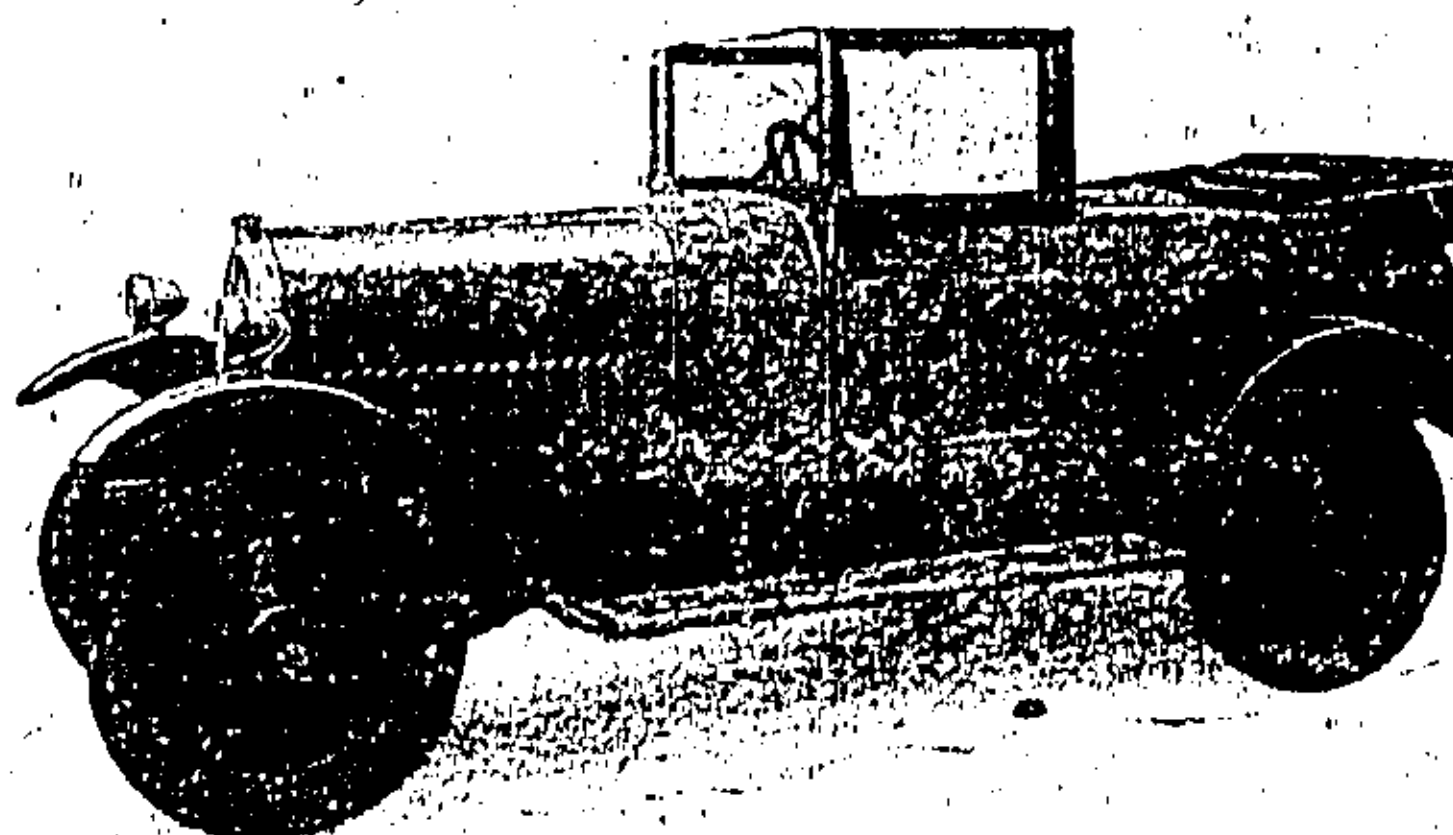
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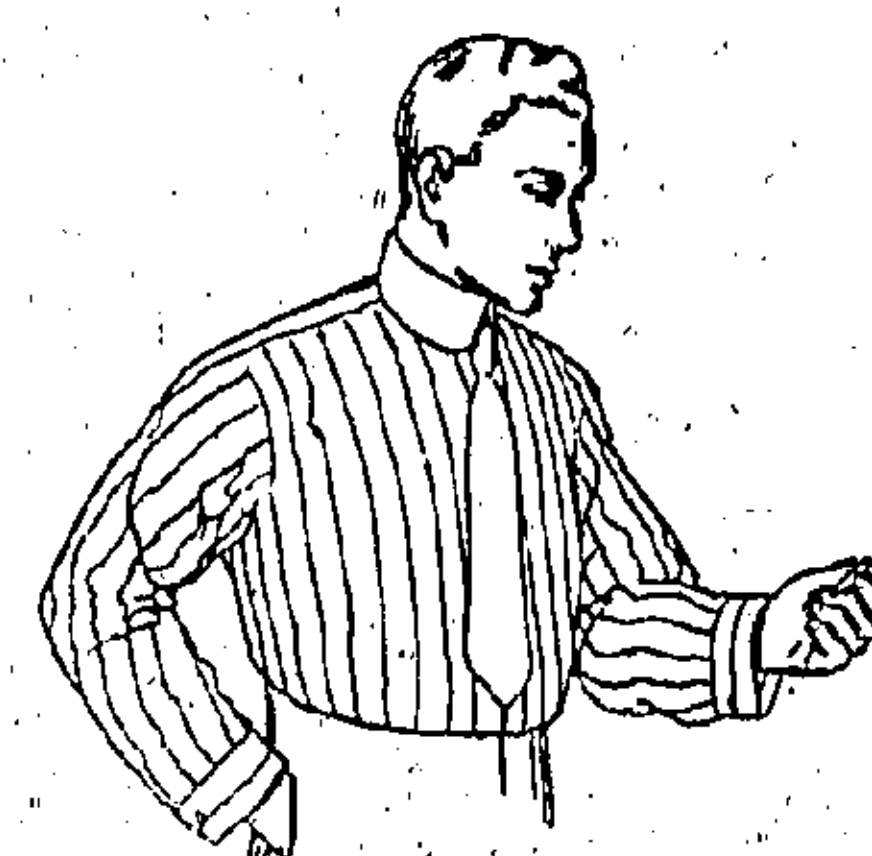
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BRITAIN'S FINANCES.

EFFECT OF OFFICIAL ECONOMIES.

Lower Services Estimates.

Rugby, Feb. 8.
It is generally anticipated that as a result of the economies effected in public services at the suggestion of the Cabinet Economy Committee, and of the committee set up under the chairmanship of Lord Colwyn, the national expenditure for which the Chancellor of the Exchequer will have to budget will probably be reduced by ten million pounds in the coming year.

Next year's estimates of the fighting Services are not yet prepared for publication, but forecasts indicate that in the aggregate they will show a reduction compared with figures for the present year.

The Times understands that in the coming year there will be a reduction in the Navy estimates in spite of the new programme of cruiser construction, and in Army estimates. These will more than balance the increase in the Air Force estimates, which will not be so large as originally contemplated.—British Wireless.

CABARET DANCE.

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB EFFORT.

The charitably disposed will have an opportunity of assisting the widow and four children of the late Mr. D. A. G. Alison on Thursday night, when, under the auspices of the Kowloon Cricket Club, of which the deceased was a member, a special cabaret dance will be held at the King Edward Hotel, the proceeds from which are to go towards this deserving cause.

The function is to start at 9 p.m. and a feature will be some special numbers by Mr. Dick Norton and his happy band of "Globe Trotters," who have very kindly offered their services. It is hoped that there will be a large gathering in order that the funds realised may be as large as possible.

SMALL-POX.

HOME COMMITTEE OF ENQUIRY.

Rugby, Feb. 8.
The Minister of Health in conjunction with the Medical Research Council, has appointed a committee to inquire and report from time to time, firstly on matters relating to the preparation, testing, and standardisation of vaccine lymph, secondly on practical methods which are available, in the light of modern knowledge, to diminish or remove any risks of vaccination, and thirdly on methods of vaccination which are most appropriate to give protection against the risk of small-pox infection in epidemic and non-epidemic periods and to co-ordinate the work of investigation of these questions in this country and abroad, having regard to the corresponding work undertaken by the International Health Organisation.—British Wireless.

FILIPINO LEADER.

AGUINALDO RE-ELECTED VETERANS' PRESIDENT.

A Significant Election.

Manila, Feb. 8.
General Emilio Aguinaldo, leader of the insurrections against Spain and the United States has been unanimously re-elected President of the Filipino Veterans. His election has considerable political significance as Aguinaldo is extremely influential and opposes immediate separation from the United States.—Reuter.

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ITALY'S POLICY IN UPPER TRENTINO.

AUSTRIAN UNEASINESS.

Paris, Feb. 8.
Though hitherto reticent in commenting on the subject, the newspapers "splash" the report of Signor Mussolini's speech regarding the Upper Adige.

The Gaulois applauds Mussolini's tone, as: "Europe since Locarno was being slowly rocked to sleep to the sound of the purring phraseology of pacifists." It says Germany is now warned on the eve of entering the League.

Le Journal draws attention to the Anglo-Italian rapprochement and collaboration, and declares that Count Volpi in going to Italy from London spent two days in Paris, and interviewed M. Briand, when he discussed "subjects very different from the French debt." This paper points out the necessity for France's keeping informed of any Anglo-Italian political agreement being prepared.—Reuter.

Vienna, Feb. 8.
Uneasiness and much comment has been caused by the passage in Signor Mussolini's speech in which he declared Italy would never remove her flag from Brenner but carry it farther if necessary. The leading daily, the Neue Freie Presse, considers that Mussolini's menaces open a threat of war, and concludes: "The policy of castor oil cannot successfully be employed in foreign policy, especially in the present Locarno era. Germany cannot be intimidated by such threats as Mussolini has uttered in the Chamber. The fight for the most primitive rights of mankind cannot be suppressed by decrees."—Reuter.

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

GERMANY'S ENTRY NOTED WITH SATISFACTION.

Rugby, Feb. 8.
General satisfaction is shown by the British newspapers at the prospect of the formal application by Germany for membership in the League of Nations, which it is expected will be drafted at a meeting of the Berlin cabinet to-day. The decision to apply was approved by the foreign affairs committee of the Reichstag last Thursday and sanctioned by the federal states on Saturday, and it is anticipated that the Reichstag application will be received in Geneva this week.

A formal meeting of the Council will then be called without delay to convene a special meeting of the Assembly, which must elect Germany a member by a two thirds majority and will undoubtedly endorse the recommendation of the Council that she should become an additional member of that body.

Germany should thus be able to take her place as a regular and permanent member of the Council at its next quarterly meeting in March.

The treaty of Locarno becomes valid when Germany becomes a member of the League.

It is recalled in the Times that "when the question of Germany's entry into the League of Nations was first seriously discussed in the Autumn of 1924 the then German Government, realising that the number of the members of the League Council, whether permanent or non-permanent, could only be increased by a unanimous vote

CATHEDRAL CONCERT.

PROGRAMME FOR TO-MORROW.

The following is the programme for the fourth of the series of concerts being held in St. John's Cathedral hall in aid of the organ fund.

1—Piano Solos—(a) Nocturne ("Nightingale"), Grieg; (b) Soaring, Schumann; Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith.
2—Songs—(a) In Haven, (b) Where Corals Lie (Elgar), Mrs. N. Mathieson.

3—(a) That Night, in May, (b) Love is for ever (Brahms), Mrs. A. M. Bowes-Smith.

4—Piano Solos—(a) Prelude in C, (b) Nocturne in C minor, (c) Fantasia—Impromptu (Chopin), Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith.

5—Songs—(a) A Roundel of Reet (Cyril Scott), (b) I have twelve oxen (John Ireland), Mrs. N. Mathieson.

6—(a) Songs my mother taught me, (b) Cloudy heights of Tatra (Dvorak), Mrs. A. M. Bowes-Smith.

7—Piano Solos—(a) Prelude in G flat, (b) Prelude in G minor (Rachmaninoff), Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith.

of the existing members, took the precaution of ascertaining from each of the ten members of the Council individually, whether they would approve of the addition of Germany to the number of permanent members.

In due course replies were received from all ten, which were understood to be generally favourable. There is no question of the Assembly running counter to the unanimous resolution of the Council. There are in addition the assurances given at Locarno.—British Wireless.

Miss Elsie Mackay, daughter of Lord Inchcape, the shipping magnate, had the distinction of being appointed the only woman of the Pilots' Advisory Committee of the Air League. Miss Mackay has had an air pilot's certificate for three years. She is often seen over the Stagland Airdrome flying alone and is regarded as one of the pioneers among women in aviation. She was for a time on the stage as Poppy Wyndham, but in the last year has taken charge of the interior decoration of ships belonging to her father's company.



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SHANGHAI'S TEAM CHOSEN.

An interport trial match was played at Shanghai on Friday last week, after which the Interport team was chosen as follows:

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Captain—A. S. Phillips.

Vice-Captain—S. Gash.

Reserves—J. B. Clissold (Police); G. T. Crawford (Engineers); H. Colloco (P. S. A.); L. Marcal (P. S. A.).

Hongkong's representatives leave on the President Jackson this afternoon at five o'clock, and departing by the same boat is the South China Athletic Association side which is competing in the China Championships.

South China's team is: Lau Hing-cheung; Ng Kam-chuen; Lau Yik-tat; Leung Yuk-tong; Wong Sul-wa; Lam Yuk-ying; Pang Kam-wing; Leung Wing-tat; Wong Pak-chung; Suen Kam-shun; Chan Kwong-ai; and Yik Chan-ping. Chan Woon-yin, Lau Kau, and Ng Po-lau as reserves. Mr. Leung Cho-u is accompanying the team as manager.

INTERPORT GOLF.

SHANGHAI TEAM FOR HONGKONG.

A change has been necessitated in the Shanghai Golf Club's team to meet Hongkong at China New Year, says the N. C. Daily News. It is learned that K. M. Cumming is unable to travel south, and it is an interesting question as to how the vacancy so caused will be filled. It will be remembered that the original team consisted of M. W. Budd, A. R. Blink, J. R. Parbury, H. R. Malcolm, L. Parbury and K. M. Cumming. There has been a certain amount of bad luck about this team, for no sooner had it been announced than Budd went to hospital for a second time this season. Fortunately he is better again and will be able to take his place, but the selection of a man to substitute for Cumming now presents a real difficulty. A meeting of the Club Committee is being held when the matter will probably be decided. It has to be remembered that possibly four day's successive golf may have to be played, two against Hongkong and two against Manila, and accordingly the Club has to look to stamina and lasting power in any selection.

A later advice shows that the following have been chosen to represent Shanghai:—M. W. Budd, J. B. Ferrier, A. R. Blink, L. Parbury, H. R. Malcolm, J. F. Pilcher.

Mr. R. G. MacDonald, the President of the Shanghai Golf Club, will accompany the team and will act as Captain.

BILLIARDS.

NEW AMATEUR RECORD.

J. Earlam (Runcorn) recently made a break of 435, thus beating the amateur this year's record by 149 points.

Earlam was in wonderful form, his big break taking him only 33 minutes.

He was playing at Liverpool against Monty Naylor, of Blackpool, in an amateur championship qualifying match. Earlam won by 1,000 points to 315.

HOME FOOTBALL.

SECOND LEAGUE RESULTS.

London, Feb. 8.
Playing in the second Division of the League, Oldham lost to Darlington, 0/1; and Wolverhampton beat Notts Forest, 4/0.

LAWN TENNIS.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW.

The draws have now been made for the Open Singles, Open Doubles and Club Championship in connection with the H.K.C.C. lawn tennis tournament. The first and second rounds of these three events are to be played off before March 21st, and by mutual consent between players any tie in the first or second rounds may be played off on grounds other than the Cricket Ground.

The draw for the Open Championship Singles is as follows, in the order given:—Bye, M. K. Lo; D. S. Green v. Ho Ka-lau; F. A. Redmond v. G. W. Sewell; E. Grimble v. Yew Man-tsun; B. H. Wong v. K. Mawtari; H. R. Con-way v. A. Zimmern; Ng Sze-cheong v. B. de Pass; Yew Man-kit v. W. J. Howard; S. E. Green v. H. C. Gould; T. Akiyama v. E. D. Lawrence; F. B. Grose v. H. Lo; H. D. Rumjahn v. N. Trambitzky; Col. Russell-Brown v. K. Yamazaki; Cheong Tuck-wing v. J. C. Broome; R. E. Coxon v. S. R. Ismail; T. Honda v. H. Bloxham; L. Baines v. Ng Sze-kwong; N. Nomura v. J. R. Craig; H. Owen Hughes v. J. A. Cassamubhai; H. S. Lee v. E. C. Fincher; Lim Peng-chin v. W. B. Cornaby; Maj. C. Willson v. A. D. Humphreys; W. H. Choa v. R. M. Henderson; Lu Tak-cheuk v. S. A. Rumjahn; Maj. Hattersley-Smith v. I. M. Razack; D. J. Valentine v. Capt. R. H. P. West; M. W. Lo v. A. S. Hett; Lu Tak-lam v. C. Choa; Maj. W. B. Stevenson v. S. A. Hussain; Hung Hui-chen v. H. Yoshida; Yves, C. W. Cheng v. R. E. Tottenham.

YACHTING.

THE "BLUENOSE" CUP.

Joan Wins a Good Race.

There was a comparatively small turn out for the "Bluenose" presented cup race yesterday afternoon. Only five boats turned out to contest the course for the trophy presented by the winner of the Ladies Championship in the Gael and Heyward Hays class. There was a steady breeze of about force three, when the boats left at 3 p.m., being sent to the Yacht Club, a distance of almost six miles.

Racing was very keen and even, no boat getting away to gain any distinct advantage. They all descended on the line together. Why Wonder? leading, with Thecla a little in the rear. Joan followed. Why Wonder? and on handicap beat her by about 20 seconds.

Details are given below:

L.				
F.	Why Wonder?			
	2nd.	1.29	4.11.58	4.1
e-	Joan, wins	1.58	4.12.06	4.1
b.	Seakirk, 3rd.	1.29	4.12.50	4.1
ill	Adnanne	1.29	4.13.34	4.1
	Thecla	4.26	4.16.25	4.1

GOLF.

R. H. K. G. C. v. UNITED SERVICES.

Club Wins Week-end Match.
The following are the scores in the match between the Royal Hongkong Golf Club and the United Services played at Fanning on Sunday, the Club winning by 13 points to 3:

Singles.
I. W. Shewan, beat Commander Gray 4 and 3; J. M. Walker, beat Lieut. Holmstrom 1 up; T. D. F. Penfield lost to Capt. Bevis 2 and 1; R. M. Smith lost to Capt. Morris 2 and 1; W. Douglas beat Lieut. Wilson 5 and 4; N. L. Smith lost to Lieut. Dickens 2 and 1; E. J. R. Mitchell beat Pay Commr. Woodward 2 and 1; L. R. Andrews beat Commr. Ratsey 4 and 3.

Club, 5 points; Services, 3 points.
Fourballs.
Shewan and Walker beat Gray and Holmstrom 2 and 1; Penfield and R. M. Smith beat Bevis and Morris 2 and 1; Douglas and N. L. Smith beat Wilson and Dickens 3 and 2; Mitchell and Andrews beat Woodward and Ratsey 4 and 3.
Club, 6 points; Services, nil.
Total: Club, 13 points; Services, 3 points.

CRICKET.

UNITED SERVICES v. HONGKONG C.C.

The following team has been selected to represent the United Services in the match between them and the Hongkong C.C. on the Hongkong C.C. ground on February 13th and 15.—Lt.-Col. A. S. Cantrell, R.M., (H.M.S. Hawkins) (Captain), Lieut. T. E. Halsey, R.N., (H.M.S. Hawkins), Pay-Lieut. J. A. Hussey, R.N., (H.M.S. Hawkins), Mid. R. H. Stephenson, R.N., (H.M.S. Hawkins), Lt. C. L. Robertson, R.N., (H.M.S. Despatch), Capt. L. Mercer, R.M., (H.M.S. Despatch), Capt. C. A. Bridgland, D.F.C. (Royal Corps of Signals), Capt. R. A. Warters, (Indian Medical Service), Capt. E. W. Morris, D.S.O., (Indian Army Service Corps), Capt. C. D. Armstrong, M.C. (East Surrey Regt.), C.Q.M.S. A. I. Stripp, (East Surrey Regt.).

The following teams have been selected in the Arts v. Engineering Inter-Faculty match on Wednesday, on the University Pavilion ground at 2 p.m. sharp:
Arts: B. P. Ng (Captain), Dr. R. Ponsonby-Fane, H. N. Balhetchet, T. E. Yeoh, H. Y. Leong, S. Hachijima, W. H. Sling, E. Zimmern, J. Noronha, C. E. Lee, W. Youngsaye.
Engineers: W. M. Giffins (Captain), Prof. H. W. Roffey, F. A. Redmond, H. C. Hunt, J. L. Youngsaye, S. O. Shahabuddin, T. W. Cheong, I. Tajima, A. Hoalim, Hazeland, A. Sulciman.

Very few people know that Westminster Abbey took 469 years to build. It was begun by Edward the Confessor in 1050 and was completed by the rebuilding of the Henry VII Chapel about 1519. The two towers at the western end were not added until 1738-9. There has been an abbey on the site, however, for over 1,300 years. Sebert, King of the Anglo-Saxons, built one in 616, and a later one was constructed in 970, twelve monks being sent from Glastonbury to occupy it. All the British Sovereigns from the Conquest have been crowned there, and until the days of George III, it was their place of burial. It derived the name West Minster from the fact that it is on the west side of London, and to distinguish it from St. Paul's.



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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

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Chartered, \$211 n.
Mercantile A. and B., \$291 n.
Mercantile C., \$131 n.
P. and O., \$91 n.
East Asia, \$85 n.

Marine Ins.
Canton Ins., \$600 b.
China Underwriters, \$2.00 s.
North China, \$15 n.
Unions, \$258 b.
Yangtze, \$35 b.

Fire Ins.
China Fires, \$165 b.
Hongkong Fire, \$520 s.

Shipping.
Douglases, \$30 s.
Steamboats, \$23 s.
Tugs, \$31 s.
Indo-China, \$38 n.
Shell Trans., 95/- n.
Star Ferries, \$52 s.
Waterboats, \$16 b.
Oriental Nav., \$250 n.

Refineries.
China Sugars, \$24 s.
Malabons, \$40 s.

Mining.
Benguet, \$1.50 n.
Kailans, 44/- b.
Langkats, \$1.23 s.
Shai Explorations, \$1.545 n.
Shanghai Loans, \$1.7 n.
Raub, \$5.80 s.
Tronoh, 55/- n.
Ural Caspian, 8/- n.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, \$1201 sa.
Whampoa Docks, \$54 n.
Hongkew, \$170 b.
New Engineering, \$1.7 b.
Shanghai Docks, \$1.108 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, \$7.10 b.
H.K. Lands, \$711 sa.
Avalty, \$5 b.
Territorials, \$6 b.
Humphreys, \$131 sa.
Princes Bldgs, \$120 s.
Rural Lands, \$7 s.

Cottons.
Ewos, \$1.9 b.
Orientals, \$1.3 n.
Shai Cottons, \$1.55 s.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, \$11 b.
Canton Ice, \$71 n.
Cements, \$14.00 n.
China Buses, \$1.101 b.
China Lights, \$11 s.
China Prov., \$71 sa.
Constructions, \$3.00 b.
Dairy Farms, \$17 s.
Der A. Wing, \$10 n.
Electrics, \$48 b.
Macao Electrics, \$40 n.
Developments, 24 cents, sa.
Ropes, \$40 s.
Tramways, \$19 b.
Lane Crawfords, \$12 s.
Mackintosh, \$211 n.
Peak Trams, \$17 b.
Sinceres, \$11 s.
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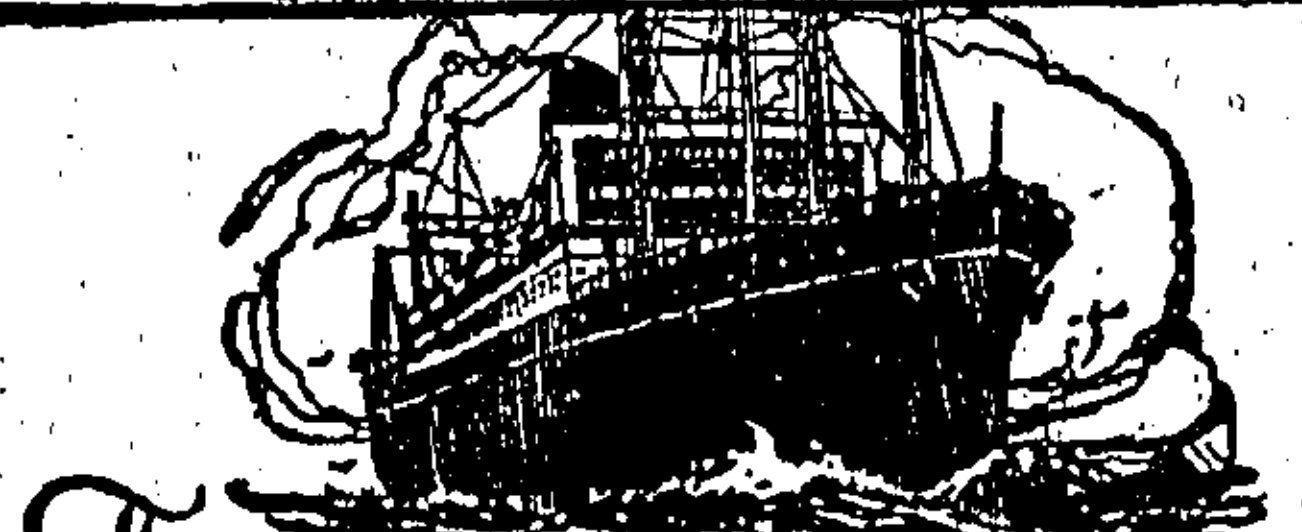
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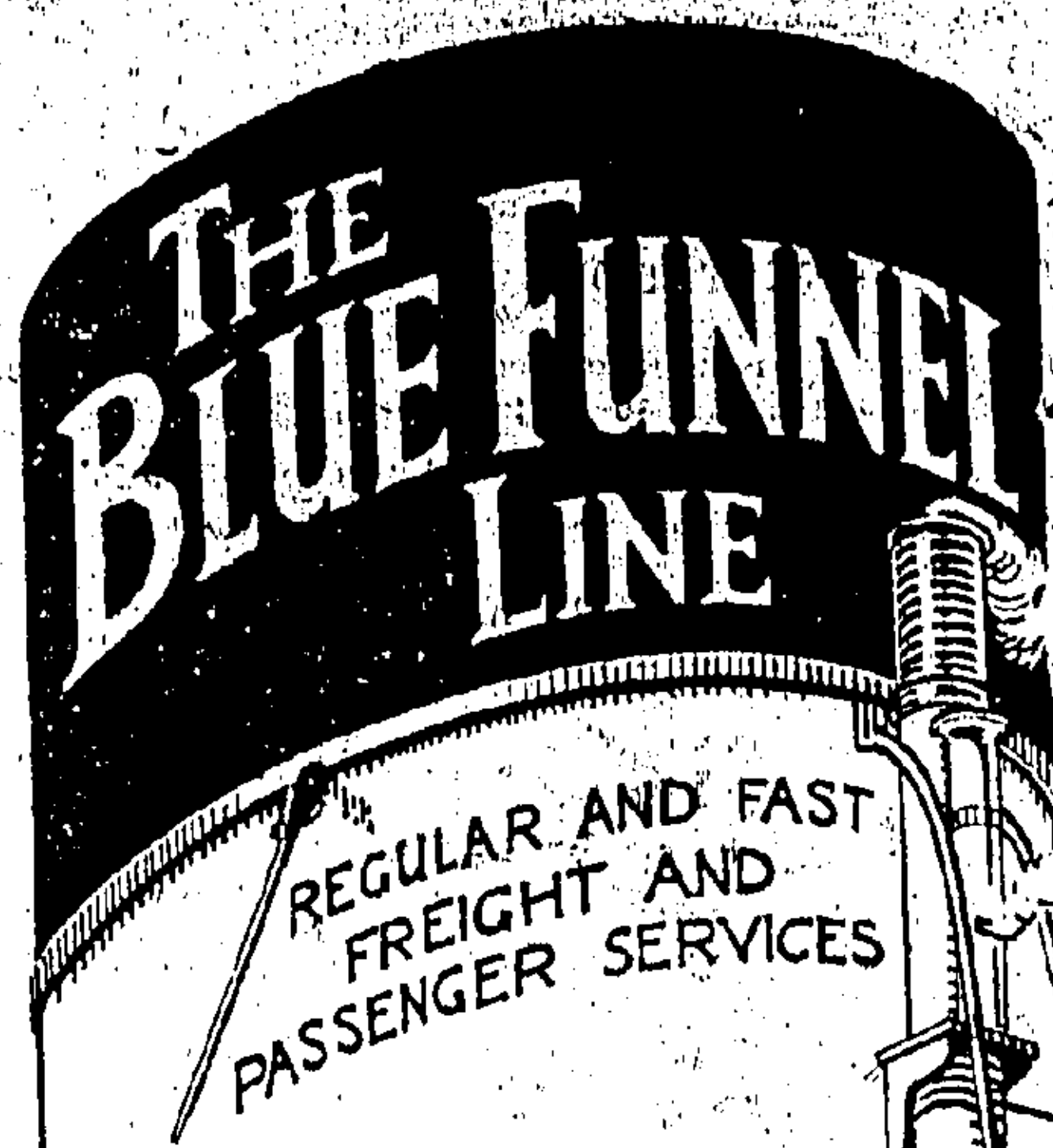
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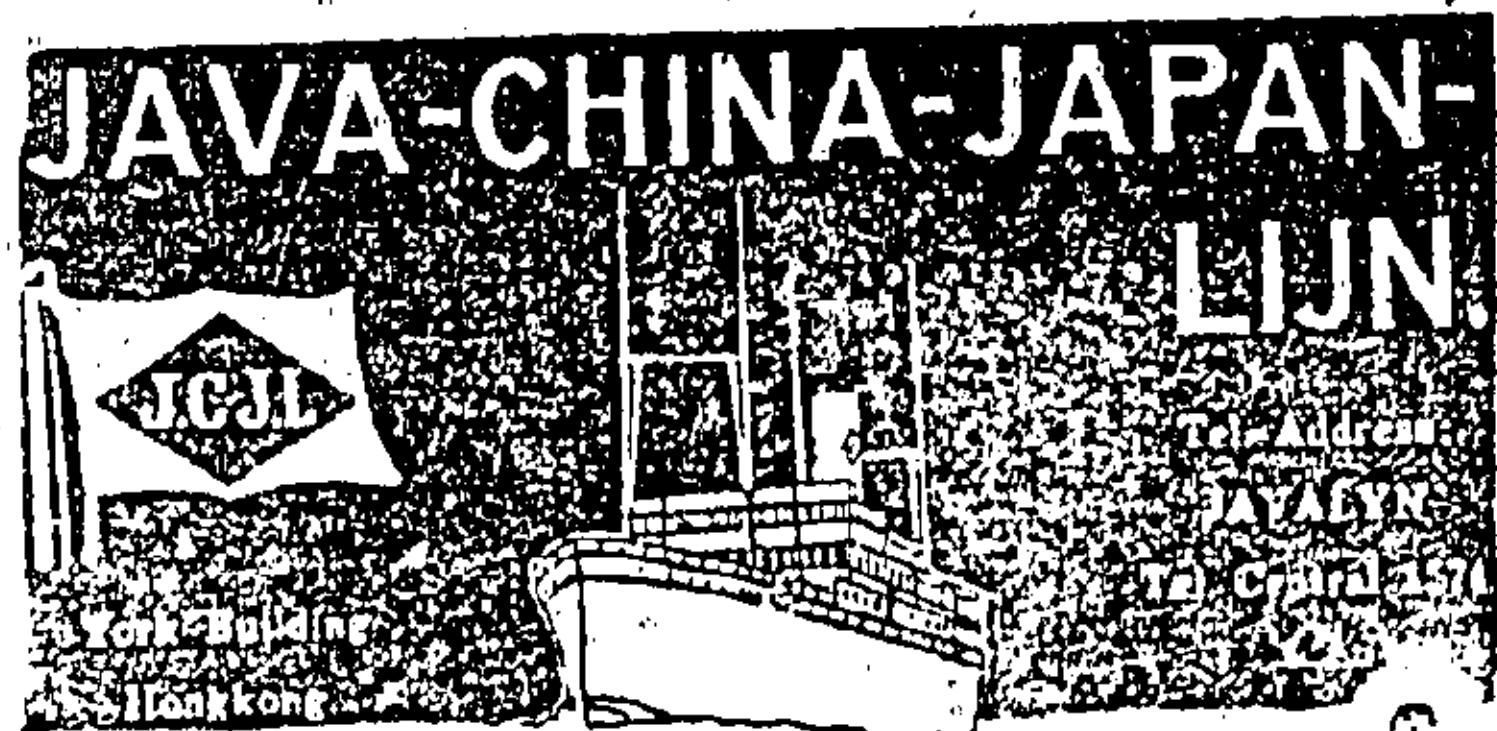
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Tjibmanok	M'kar	19th Feb.	20th Feb.	Japan
Tjibkarang	Batavia	20th Feb.	23rd Feb.	Shanghai
Tjibodas	M'kar	27th Feb.	1st Mar.	Amoy & S'hai
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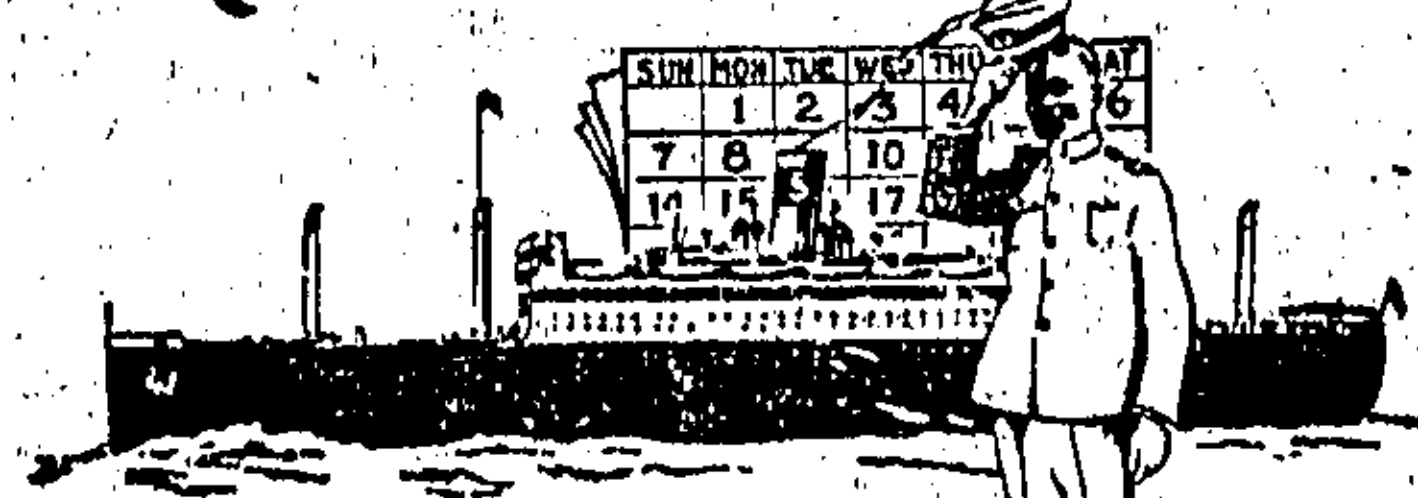
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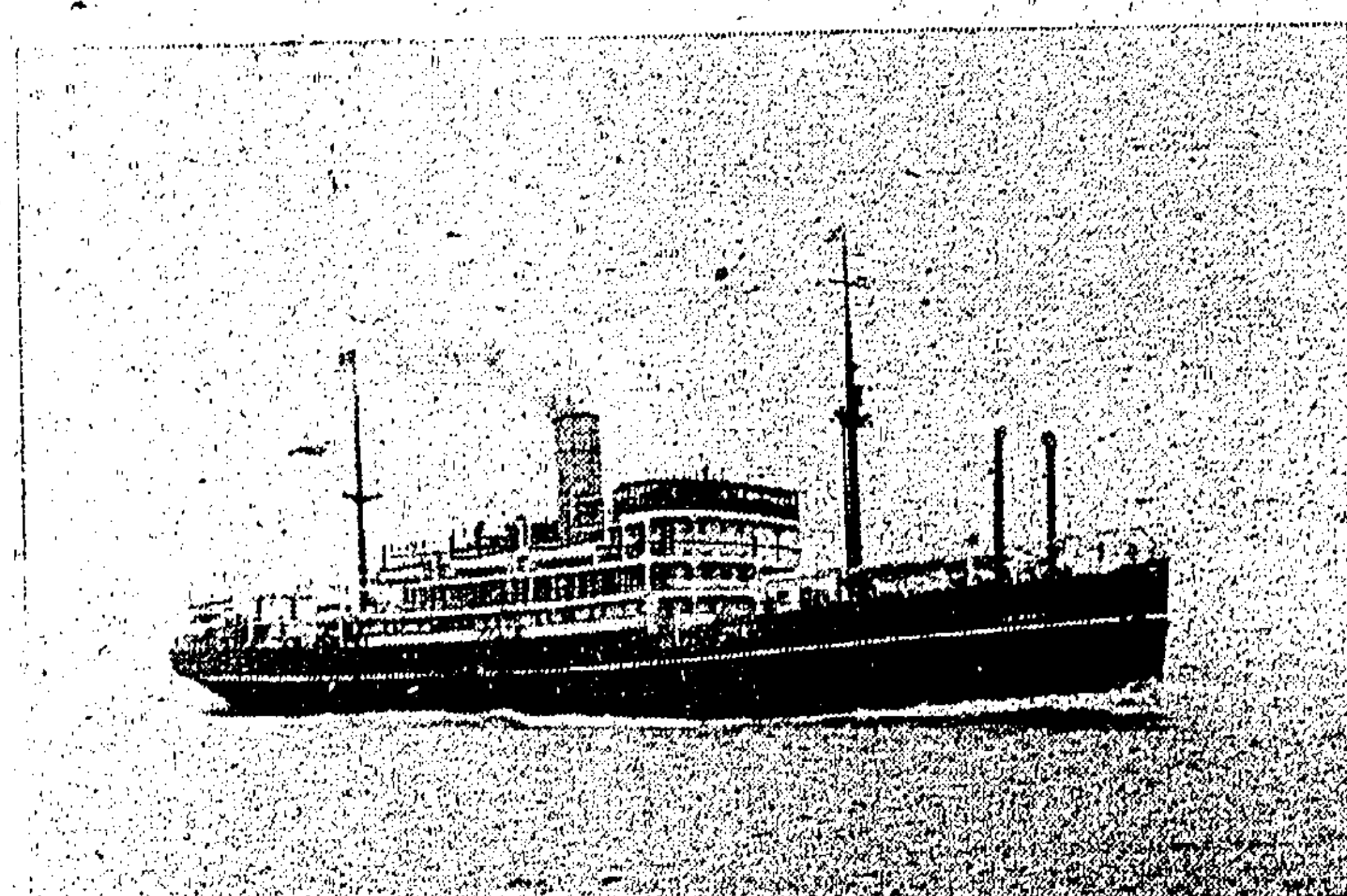
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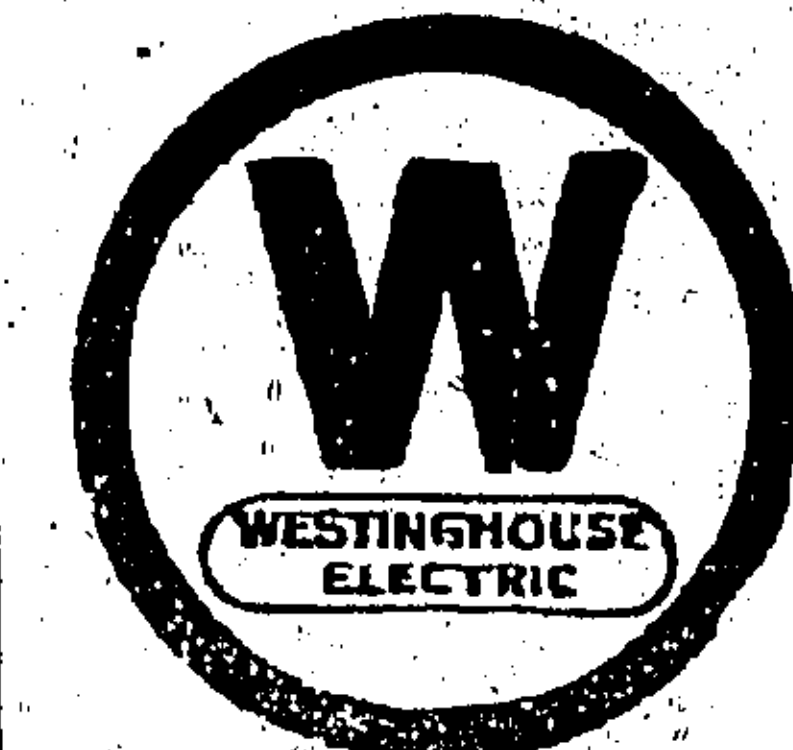
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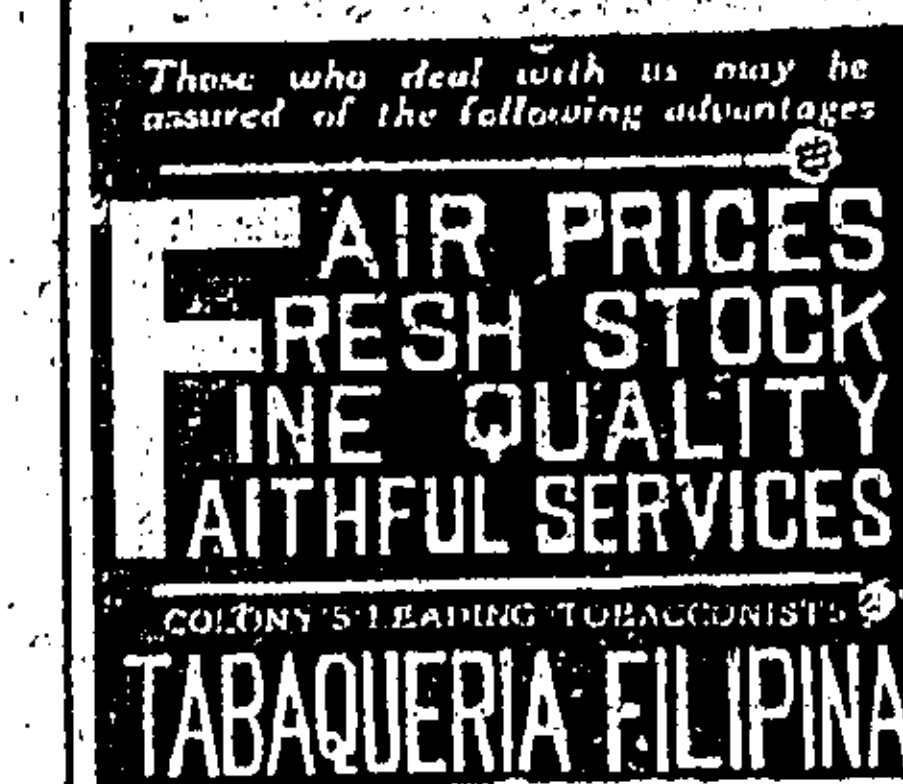
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From	Due
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	February 9
Straits	February 9
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Japan	February 10
U. S. A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	February 12
Japan	February 12
Europe via Negapatnam (Letters only)	February 14
London, 14th January	February 15
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	February 16
Shanghai	February 16
Australia and Manila	February 17
Japan	February 23

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and Europe via Victoria, B.C., and Europe via Siberia (Letters and postcards specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only)	Pres. Jackson	Tues., Feb. 9, 9.30 a.m.
	Parcels	Registration 2.45 p.m. Letters 3.30 p.m.
(Due Victoria, B.C., 28th February)		
Kanchow	Wed., Feb. 10, 9.30 a.m.	
Shanghai	Tues., Feb. 10, 5 p.m.	
Amoy	Wed., Feb. 10, 5 p.m.	
Hokchow and Haiphong	Thurs., Feb. 11, 8.30 a.m.	
Newchang	Fri., Feb. 12, 9.30 a.m.	
Haiphong	Fri., Feb. 12, 9.30 a.m.	
Straits and Calcutta	Letters 11 a.m. Parcels 11 a.m.	
Soigon	Shanghai	Fri., Feb. 12, 2.30 p.m.
Bangkok	Tan	Fri., Feb. 12, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Shanghai	Fri., Feb. 12, 2.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kashima Maru	Fri., Feb. 12, Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.
(Due Marseilles 14th March)		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hokan Maru	Sun., Feb. 14, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ching	Tues., Feb. 16, noon.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

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WATER SUPPLY.

THE POSITION ON
FEBRUARY 1ST.

That the restricted intermittent supply of water in all the Colony's rider main districts during January was well justified is borne out by the Water Return just issued by the Water Authority. This return shows that the water in storage on the island on February 1st was 1,017 million gallons as compared with 1,332 million gallons on the same date last year when partial restriction was also in operation. The consumption during January was 218 million gallons, and it will therefore be seen that the margin is none too great, although there is the prospect of good rains before long. We have had two very wet years and, in pursuance of the law of averages, we are bound to get a dry one soon, and if 1926 should prove to be under the average yield the wisdom of the Water Authority in putting the rider main districts on short rations will be more than vindicated.

In Kowloon, where there is a full supply, the storage on February 1st amounted to 200 million gallons, as against 255 million gallons last year. The consumption during January was 70 million gallons, and, although at that rate there is only three months' supply left it has to be borne in mind that the Kowloon storage is very quickly made up owing to the large area over which the water is collected.

EDUCATION ECONOMY.

A LIBERAL PROTEST.

London, Feb. 8.
Sir John Simon moved a Liberal amendment dealing with education when the debate on the Address was continued in the House of Commons. The amendment particularly took exception to the recent substitution of block grants for the percentage grant which was considered to paralyse educational progress. Sir John Simon argued that the proposed grant of a fixed sum encouraged a backward Educational Authority to do as little as possible, beyond complying with minimum requirements. Sir John Simon contrasted this move, which he declared represented a new policy dictated by an embarrassed Chancellor of the Exchequer, with the latter's generous policy to Italy in connection with the debt settlement agreement at the expense of the British taxpayer.

GOVERNMENT'S DEFENCE.
Lord Eustace Percy, Minister for Education, replying to the debate, said that the present grant system was unsatisfactory and that the block grant system was an obvious development of the present system.

The Duchess of Atholl said that the Government's action was due to the state of the country's finances, because the Government must know how much they had provided for education each year. The Government hoped to resume the full programme at the earliest possible moment.

The House rejected the Liberal amendment by 234 votes to 135 and the Address was agreed to—*Reuter.*

SHIPPING NEWS.

VESSELS NEAR PORT.

At noon to-day the following vessels were expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong:

Eumaeus, Fushimi Maru, Santhia, Newchang, Oanfa, Laomedon, Chakasang, Klungchow, Wakasa Maru, Sumatra Maru, Pacific Maru, City of Christiania, Empress of Scotland, Comliebank, Hellas, Hainan, Haishing, Kaying, Portos, Sawa Maru, U.S.S. Ford, Bintang, City of Victoria, Shantung, Altai Maru, Hinsang, Hozan Maru, Helyel Maru No. 7.

M. KRASSIN'S HEALTH.

BLOOD TRANSFUSION
TREATMENT.

Paris, Feb. 8.
The Soviet Embassy here says that the blood transfusion with which M. Krassin is being treated is producing the desired effect, but a long rest is necessary. *Reuter's American Service.*

CHINESE LANGUAGE.

SPIRITED REPLY TO
GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.

A spirited reply by Dr. Lim Boon-keng, Principal of the Amoy University, to the recent speech by His Excellency Sir Cecil Clementi, at the Hongkong University, on the shortcomings of the Chinese language, appears in the *Singapore Free Press*. This is in the form of a letter to the editor of that journal, and is in the following terms:

With due respect to Sir Cecil Clementi, whose learned address delivered at the Hongkong University on the difficulties of the Chinese language shows that he has given the subject much thought and study, I beg to differ from His Excellency's opinions on a few points which are of great importance.

(1) There is no Fukien dialect in which the word for Tea is pronounced Ti, as Sir Cecil alleges. Tea was originally brought to Europe evidently by the Dutch who had factories in Formosa, from Amoy, where Tea is called Tay—just as the Malays call over Malaya pronounce it. The French word the confirms this. The German the is also sounded Tay. The natives of London in Cockney fashion pronounce Tea more like the Malay Tay than Ti.

(2) The differences of dialects in China are due to the same kind of causes which produce dialects elsewhere. The Mandarin language is now the lingua franca of all educated Chinese. In Amoy University, students from all parts of China speak Mandarin, and listen to lectures in Mandarin. Throughout Malaya, through the movement started by me and others in 1894, Mandarin is now the common speech of all educated Chinese.

(3) Mistranslation of Buddhist sutras. Sir Cecil Clementi evidently forgets that many Sanskrit words appear in Buddhist literature, just as many Latin terms occur in Catholic publications. The Buddhists read the sutras in Sanskrit written in Chinese phonetically. With regard to the name Kuan-yin—surely the Buddhist pioneers never intended to convey such "nonsense" as "overlooking sound" to the practical Chinese. The Chinese word Yin does not necessarily mean sound; thus Fu-yin—literally "happiness-sound"—which seem quite ridiculous enough, but they are the equivalent of the Greek word for gospel. Kuan yin is the title of "the Goddess of Mercy" and is an abbreviated form of Kuan Shih Yin p'u-sa i.e., the Bodhisattva whose interests are in this world. Kuan equals regard, or look after; Yin equals noise, sound, effects; Shih Yin equals the world's noise—i.e., world's affairs. Kuan-yin then means "interested in the affairs of the world"—quite a very different thing from "the nonsense" of "overlooking sound"—which Sir Cecil made it out to be.

It may be of interest to remind your readers of the fact that Kuan-yin refused to enter Paradise till hell fire should be extinguished, and the last lost soul should have been extricated. Hence the title of Goddess of Mercy, given to one of the many transformations of this celebrated Bodhisattva.

The challenge of His Excellency to the academicians of China is absurd and ridiculous since the greatest Oriental scholars have acknowledged their debt to the Chinese translations of Sanskrit texts. The Chinese were not "baffled," as Sir Cecil imagined, but had a definite object in merely making phonetic translation just as the Catholics write down in English, "Pater noster" and "ave maria!" and purposely, not because they do not know the English equivalents.

(4) Chinese only "a kind of linguistic bed of Procrustes" fit only to hold Chinese ideas and unsuitable for word, and thoughts alien to the Chinese. I sincerely regret to say that the distinguished orator is totally wrong, although it is true foreigners find it difficult to express technical matters in Chinese, and even Chinese scholars find it difficult to understand English. But this has nothing to do with the nature of the language.

Einstein has been translated into Japanese and Chinese. Every subject of modern science has been ably translated into intelligible Chinese. Japanese have used Chinese entirely in their translations. The modern Europeans have had to fall back upon Greek and Latin roots, except the Germans who delight in their own uncouth polysyllables of Teutonic origin.

The fact that certain relations, have to be adopted does not mean that a translation is not possible. Why, the Arabic numerals and Greek letters in English do not diminish the value of English works in mathematics.

I have myself heard most abstract lectures in Chinese on logic, psychology, biology, and evolution, and I have myself talked on fairly abstruse problems of modern medicine, such as Ehrlich's side chain theory. The Professor Leo of the University of Amoy discourses on the most recondite questions of argonite and analytical chemistry entirely in Chinese.

The fact is that Chinese is unique among the languages of the world. Its contemporaries of 3,000 B.C. have all been dead long ago—even those of 500 B.C. are quite extinct. The classical languages of Greece and Rome are only kept alive in the schools and Universities. But the language of Confucius is still the language of China to-day, and of the Far East for the Koreans, Japanese, and Annamites can communicate with the Chinese by means of the Chinese script.

Of course, there are difficulties in translation but they occur in all languages and are of the same nature; and they depend upon the idiosyncrasies of different authors, wishing to adopt different roots, and different interpretations.

On the other hand, it is also a fact that certain specifically Chinese ideas can hardly be translated literally into English, or any European language. The Chinese have many terms expressing relations and relationships that require lengthy descriptions. But this is really not peculiar to Chinese.

(5) It is a pleasure to find myself in agreement with Sir Cecil in his advocacy of a second language, and of English as such a language; though his reasons are not sound. Chinese is not a very refractory medium for interpretation of Western ideas. English as a second language is necessary in order to hasten the acquisition of western thought and culture, since the number of translated books is still inadequate.

I have ventured to make the above criticism since the high position of Sir Cecil Clementi may mislead many readers of his speech into thinking that the Chinese language is really "the linguistic bed of Procrustes" which His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong seems to believe it to be. Chinese newspapers to-day discuss daily and comment upon world events and scientific progress without the slightest difficulty, and the University of Amoy, or any Chinese University for that matter, will be exceedingly pleased to send to Hongkong a lecturer to discourse upon any western topic in pure and elegant Chinese at any moment.



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OBITUARY.

SIAMESE MINISTER TO U. S.

Washington, Feb. 8.
The Siamese Minister, Mr. Navarath, has died from tuberculosis at Saranac Lake. After cremation, the ashes will be taken to Siam. *Reuter's American Service.*

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

GERMANY APPLIES FOR ADMISSION.

Berlin, Feb. 8.
The Cabinet has unanimously approved of the text of Germany's application for admission to the League of Nations which is being sent to Geneva to-night. *Reuter.*